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Tarleton Holy Trinity CE Primary School pupils swapped their blue uniforms for red outfits to support Comic Relief on Red Nose Day

Primary school pupils go 'into the red' to raise funds for charity

GOING into the red usually means a shortage of money but for youngsters at a West Lancashire primary school it was just the opposite as they raised £150 for charity!

The pupils at Tarleton Holy Trinity CE Primary swapped their usual blue uniforms for red attire to raise money for Comic Relief on Red Nose Day.

Headteacher, Stephen Smith, said: "All of the children left their blue uniforms at home and came to school in various outfits with a very red theme and of course, raised a lot of money for the Comic Relief charity!

"The school council had also organised that when I rang the bell three times, it was time to dance, so all the pupils got involved with that, dancing along to the sounds of Radio Two DJ Sara Cox's Sounds of the 80s Red Nose Danceathon."

EDGE HILL GROUP CAUGHT UP IN TERROR ATTACK

Report by **Danielle Thompson**

Students mown down minutes after meeting with borough MP

WEST Lancs MP Rosie Cooper has spoken of her "deep shock" and horror after a group of Edge Hill University students were badly injured in the terror attack in London last week - just minutes after she spoke to them in Parliament.

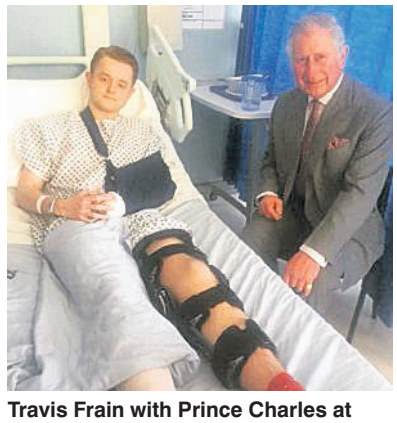
Ms Cooper met the group of 13 politics students and lecturer Paula Keaveney at Westminster to discuss various issues and her work in the constituency before leaving to attend a debate.

Just minutes later the students were mown down by 52-year-old Khalid Masood as they walked across Westminster Bridge, leaving four of the group with injuries.

Nineteen-year-old Travis Frain rolled over the bonnet of Masood's Hyundai 4x4 vehicle, suffering multiple fractures to his hand and leg, as well as cuts and whiplash.

And 18-year-old Owen Lambert needed stitches for a head wound.

Two other members of the party received treatment for lesser injuries but miraculously the rest of the group were unharmed.



Travis Frain with Prince Charles at King's College Hospital

In total 50 people were injured in the attack and four others died, including PC Keith Palmer who was fatally stabbed by Masood before the attacker was shot dead by armed officers.

Rosie Cooper said: "In the aftermath of the terror attack my thoughts and prayers are with those who lost their lives and their families who will mourn their loss to such a senseless act of evil.

"My thoughts are also with the group of students and their lecturer who I'd been meeting with in Parliament just a short time before the attack took place.

"Just before 2.30pm I left the group and headed off to attend a Westminster Hall debate. Little did any of us know what they would be walking into. I was deeply shocked and saddened to learn that four of the students had been injured. I have been in regular contact with Edge Hill University following the attack.

"An attack on Parliament is an attack on the very essence of our democratic society. We cannot allow these acts of terror to create divisions and hatred as this is the aim

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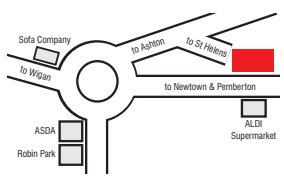

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Linda Connolly (left) and Tina Hill (right) receive the cheque from Alison Wood and Will Oldfield

Golfers chip in with £16,400 cheque for hospital children's unit

GENEROUS local golfers have teed up a five-figure boost for a worthy cause by staging a series of fundraising events over the past year.

Members of Hurlston Hall Golf Club in Scarisbrick raised a total of £16,400 for the Children's Unit at Ormskirk and District Hospital.

The club's 2016 captain, Will Oldfield, said: "This is a terrific result and I am bursting with pride at the generosity of the club membership."

Key fundraising activity of the year was a Longest Day Challenge with 23 golfers playing 72 holes in a day at the club, starting at 4.30am and finishing just before 10pm. Members and friends supported the event during the day, providing refreshments, marshalling and moral support.

Other fundraising activities included a novel 'virtual nearest the pin' competition based on the 7th hole at Pebble Beach during the Captain's Away Day in July.

Linda Connolly, Ormskirk Hospital's assistant matron for paediatrics and neonates, and Tina Hill, paediatric practice development nurse, went along to receive the cheque from club captains, Alison Wood and Will Oldfield, at a presentation evening at the club.

Linda said: "We were honoured to be chosen as the club's charity for 2016.

"Members have worked hard at raising an amazing sum of money and we would like to express our greatest appreciation to everyone. Their fundraising and generosity will be put to good use to benefit the patients who attend the unit."

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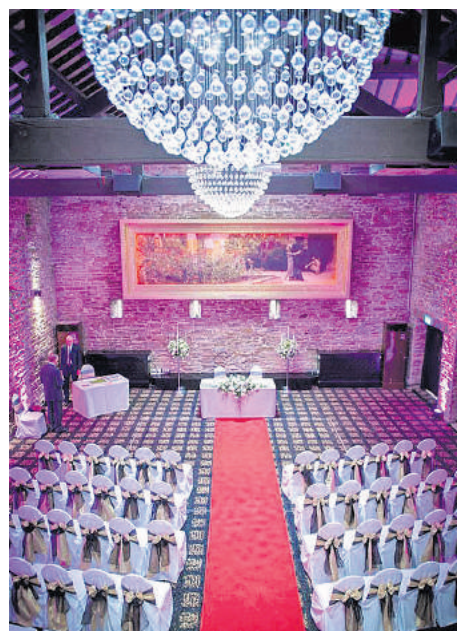

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Developers set to add 24 more houses onto Liverpool Road plan

PLANS FOR a housing development in Burscough could be expanded by 24 more homes.

West Lancs Council granted outline planning permission in March 2014 for the development on land bounded by Liverpool Road South on Abbey Lane, for an application submitted by agent Maze Planning Solutions on behalf of applicant Time Token Limited.

Time Token Limited recently submitted an application for permission to alter the plans to increase the number of homes to 10 four-bed houses; 72 three-bed houses; eight two-bed houses and 20 two-bed apartments.

The outline planning application was for an 86-dwelling development but the original permission did not specify any upper or lower limits for the number of homes.

The new layout for the scheme has an additional twenty four homes included in the plan

A statement included from Andrew Watt, chartered planning and development surveyor, with the new application states that the new plans would remove the 'affordable housing' homes from the plans as they would cause a loss to the scheme.

The statement said: "Work has determined that there is insufficient profit in the development to support the inclusion of affordable housing and is shaping the need for further remediation of localised contamination and related long-term safeguards for the end housing use."

Residents have until Good Friday, April 14, to share their views on the plans.

Historian takes over speaker role

A HISTORIAN who represents Lathom Park has taken over the role of main speaker after the chairman of the group moved away.

Local historian Dot Hawkes, took over the role of main guest speaker, giving talks to local community and school groups on the history of the area, after Paul Kenyon moved to Scotland.

Dot, who helps to run the Ormskirk Bygone Times website can be booked for a talk by emailing info@lathom-parktrust.org.uk

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Couple raise £1,400-plus for Down's Syndrome charity

Report by **Danielle Thompson**

A COUPLE whose daughter was diagnosed with Down's Syndrome 30 minutes after being born have raised more than £1,400 just weeks after launching a campaign to raise awareness and funds for research into the condition.

Ste and Katie Brookes, who have a three-year-old daughter Emily, were overjoyed when their second daughter, Alice, was born at the Ormskirk Hospital's Neonatal Unit in October.

But their joy soon turned to anxiety when Alice was diagnosed almost immediately when eagle-eyed staff quickly identified physical characteristics of the condition before a blood test confirmed the diagnosis.

Down's Syndrome is a genetic condition that usually causes learning disabilities and distinctive physical characteristics.

Bank worker Katie praised the staff for identifying that Alice had the condition almost immediately as this meant she could be checked for additional health concerns quickly. She was also grateful for the tactful way that they handled breaking this important information.

The couple from Old Skelmerdale held their first annual fundraiser to mark World Down's Syndrome Awareness Day this month when joiner Ste was sponsored to have his shoulder-length hair shaved off at Urban Hair on High Street, Skelmersdale.

Donations, which have reached £1,435 including Gift Aid, are still being collected and the family will donate the funds to national charity, The Down's Syndrome Association, whose Tell it Right campaign aims to educate staff in hospitals, midwives, nurses and paediatricians how to tell parents and provide support for the families of children diagnosed with the condition before or after birth.

Katie said: "We are currently at £1,435 with some donations still to be added. We would like to thank our family and friends, staff from the Co-operative Bank, Bickerstaffe FC, their players and supporters, staff at Urban Hair and the congregation of St Paul's Church for all of their support."

Left: Going . . . The big shave-off gets underway at Urban Hair on High Street, Skelmersdale.

Above: Gone . . . Ste gives his new look the once-over

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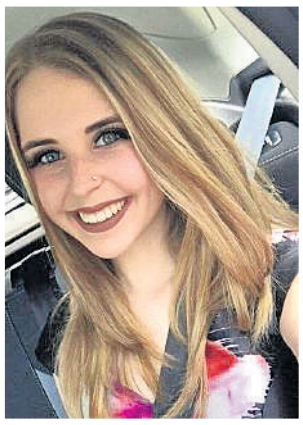
Charity donations in memory of brave Hannah top £2,500

Inspirational cancer campaigner's family offer heartfelt thanks to generous friends and well-wishers

Report by **Danielle Thompson**



THE family of inspirational cancer battler Hannah Lyson have thanked her friends and well-wishers for donating more than £2,500 to two charities in her memory.

Hannah *(pictured, right)* campaigned to raise awareness of bowel and liver cancer before sadly losing her own personal battle with the disease when she passed away aged just 20 at her home in Burscough in January.

Hundreds of mourners turned out to pay their respects to Hannah at her funeral in February. She was taken to the Disney-themed service at West Lancashire Crematorium by a white, horse-drawn carriage pulled by four black horses decorated with purple and white feathers, while her coffin was borne inside to music from the Disney film, Lilo and Stitch.

Her family have now thanked those who made a total of £2,585 of donations in her memory, which will be split between the Teenage Cancer Trust, which Hannah fundraised thousands for, and the Zak Vali Foundation, a Bolton-based charity which raises funds to help pay for funeral costs when a child passes away after cancer treatment.

Hannah's family posted the following message on her social media site, Facebook page, Hannah's Bowel Cancer Journey: "We now have a total amount of donations received at the funeral directors in memory of Hannah.

"There was £2,585. This has been split, so £1,525 has gone to The Zak Vali foundation and £1,060 has gone to the Teenage Cancer trust.

"We know others donated directly too, so all in all a fantastic result. To say thank-you doesn't seem enough but we really do from the bottom of our hearts."

Edge Hill students caught up in Westminster attack

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of such terrorists. We have to defend and protect our values of freedom and democracy. After 40 years of public service, this will be a day I will never forget."

Edge Hill vice-chancellor, John Cater, said: "University staff are in regular communication with all concerned and counselling services are being offered both by the university and by the Peace Foundation, who are specialists in counselling those affected by terrorism.

"We wish Travis well and hope he is able to return back home to the North West soon."

Owen Lambert told the BBC that he remembered being hit by the car and spun around, landing on top of his friend before realising he had been injured when seeing his own blood on his friend's neck.

He said: "I want us all to make sure that we are thankful for the people that are still alive and the people that are still recovering. We should try to unify through love and compassion rather than through our hatred and anger."

Meanwhile, Travis Frain had a Royal visitor to his bedside at King's College Hospital last week in the shape of Prince Charles.

Writing on social media site Facebook, Travis said his mum had been pleased to meet the prince.

He also shared an update on his injuries, writing: "I'm not too bad, though things are obviously still in the air. After X-rays on over 20 different parts of the body, a couple of MRIs, an ultrasound and a CT scan, both my ribs and hip bones are fine.

"However, I have fractured the top part of my left hand and most of the fingers. I've also fractured my leg, around the knee, and as a result, I will need physio over the coming months to be able to walk at the extent I used to."

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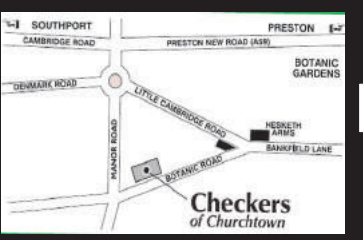

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Campaigners welcome decision to drop plan for one-way system at 'accident blackspot'

...but residents say more safety measures still needed

Report by **Danielle Thompson**

CAMPAIGNERS have welcomed news that plans for a one-way system at an 'accident blackspot' in Ormskirk have been dropped but say further safety improvements are needed.

Members of the independent political group, Our West Lancashire backed residents' opposition to Lancashire County Council's proposals for the system on Halsall Lane leading to the Five Ways junction in the town.

And at a Police and Communities Together meeting earlier this month they were informed that the authority had axed the plans following a consultation launched in December.

However, campaigners say more measures are needed to improve safety at the junction.

Ian Davis of Our West Lancashire, said: "More than half the responses to the consultation came from Halsall Lane and there was overwhelming opposition to the proposed one-way system. I'm glad the county council have dropped the plan, but if local councillors had been listening to residents in the first place, it would never have got this far."

Retired policeman Gordon Johnson from Ormskirk, added: "I understand that new signal controllers may be installed, but there are other possible improvements. There is some land available that would allow a widened approach to the junction from one direction and traffic light enforcement cameras might also have a role.

"Lancashire County Council need to start more detailed discussions with the residents of Ormskirk."

The Five Ways junction in Ormskirk

A spokesman for the county council said: "In response to concerns that had been raised by residents over many years about traffic problems in this area, we wrote to residents of Halsall Lane and Cottage Lane about some possible solutions, stressing that this was only a starting point for further discussion, and we're grateful for all the feedback received.

"The feedback showed little support for introducing a one-way system on Cottage Lane or on Halsall Lane, but people did support the principle of introducing a traffic-calming scheme on Cottage Lane and we'll be holding formal consultation on a revised proposal in the coming weeks.

"The traffic-calming would involve constructing a number of round-topped road humps, and new road markings to reinforce the 20mph limit. We're currently reviewing the results of a traffic study of the Five Ways junction, with a report on the findings due to follow."

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Rail staff set to stage strike on Grand National day

Report by **Henry James**

MEMBERS of the Rail, Maritime and Transport (RMT) union at Merseyrail and Arriva Trains North are to stage another 24-hour strike on the day of the Grand National (Saturday, April 8) over plans to introduce driver-only trains in 2020.

Many racegoers heading to Aintree for what is dubbed the biggest horse race in the world, use Merseyrail services to get to the event.

Aintree station is close to the racecourse and a special timetable is usually put in place during the three-day Grand National festival.

Disruption was caused on Merseyrail and Arriva Trains North during a 24-hour strike earlier in March and talks between Merseyrail and the RMT union broke down on Monday, March 20.

Merseyrail are working on putting together a timetable for the day of the strike.

In addition, the union will be stepping up the campaign, involving the general public and targeting politicians across the area served by Merseyrail, aimed at maximising political and public support for RMT's fight for a guaranteed guard on the company's services.

RMT general secretary, Mick Cash, said: "RMT recognises the severe impact that the action will have on Grand National Day but we are dealing with an employer that refuses to listen or engage with the union on the critical issue of safe rail operation and we ask the public to understand that we have no option but to take this high-profile action to force the company back to the negotiating table.

One of the new trains

"There is ample time between now and April 8 for genuine talks to take place and for a safe and sustainable deal that protects the future safety across Merseyrail services to be put in place. The company should take up that offer of further talks as a matter of urgency.

"Merseyrail are completely ignoring the clear wishes of their own passengers, who overwhelmingly oppose the idea of Driver Only Operated trains on their network."

Jan Chaudhry-van der Velde, Merseyrail's managing director, commented: "As we predicted, the RMT has sunk to a new low by inflicting their strikes on the Grand National.

"Damaging the company and its passengers is one thing, but damaging the whole of the Liverpool city region on one of its proudest and most important days of the year is impossible to understand.

"It cannot be right that the RMT executive, sitting in London, has taken an unnecessary decision that represents a barefaced attack on the reputation of our region.

"The Saturday of the Grand National is one of our busiest times of the year, and we will make every attempt to ensure that we successfully move around the high volumes of people who choose to travel with us that day. Timetables for the day are currently being developed and will be published very soon.

"We have put forward firm proposals about how we will look after our guards, who, subject to successful negotiations with the RMT, are being guaranteed work in the business, once the new trains are introduced in three years' time."

Students vote Edge Hill tops in N-West

EDGE Hill University has been voted the best in the North West in a poll of students.

The 2017 Times Higher Education Student Experience Survey has identified the Ormskirk institution as top overall in the region and 11th in the UK.

Edge Hill was also ranked in the top two nationally for campus security and safety; in the top five in the UK for student accommodation; and in the top eight in the country for both facilities and student welfare.

It was also rated the top diversified (non-specialist) post-1992 university in the survey.

The results are based on the responses of more than 15,000 undergraduates from 122 UK universities, rating their institution across 21 different indicators.

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Public feedback invited on health commissioners' clinical policy review

THE NHS West Lancashire Clinical Commissioning Group is working in partnership with the other seven CCGs in the county to review clinical policies across the region.

Mike Maguire, chief officer at NHS West Lancashire CCG

The eight groups have agreed that there is a need to review their policies in order to ensure a consistent and fair approach; develop a set of principles and policies against which decisions about care and treatment can be made, update current policies in accordance with National Guidelines and best clinical practice (the three-year review date is now due for many of these policies); and develop collaborative policies across Lancashire.

These clinical policies, inherited from Primary Care Trusts, although broadly similar, have offered different approaches and rules. The CCGs recognise that this can lead to confusion and potentially unintended differences in services across the area.

As part of this ongoing process, six draft policies are now available for patient and public engagement and feedback. These are the surgical treatment of carpal tunnel syndrome; tonsillectomy; the surgical release of trigger finger; endoscopic knee procedures; male circumcision and an entirely new draft policy on (diabetic) insulin pumps and continuous glucose monitoring devices.

Residents of West Lancashire are invited to read the draft policy documents and provide their feedback and comments by completing the relevant survey(s). These can be accessed by visiting the NHS West Lancashire CCG website at www.westlancashireccg.nhs.uk/.

For the new policy on insulin pumps and glucose monitoring devices the CCG is working with Diabetes UK in order to get their feedback and to arrange opportunities for Type 1 diabetic patients to discuss the policy at group meetings and forums.

Any diabetic patients, or in the case of a child or young person, any parent or carer, who does not have access to the online survey and/or may struggle or not wish to attend any group discussions, can make arrangements to discuss the policy by contacting the communications and engagement team of the commissioning support unit on 01772 214 244 or by emailing haveyoursay@lancashirecsu.nhs.uk.

Mike Maguire, chief officer at NHS West Lancashire CCG, said: "The CCG is responsible for commissioning a wide range of clinical services, including secondary (hospital), community and mental health services and for paying for those services, for and on behalf of, the local population. In some areas, this also includes commissioning GP services.

"We need to ensure this is done in an open, fair and transparent manner but in doing so we must consider the limited resources we have.

"A key role for the CCG is to develop clinical policies that help us make decisions about the use of those limited resources.

"I would encourage any resident with an interest in these policies to visit the CCG website and have their say."

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Trio of events in final fundraising 'push' for mayor's causes

MAYOR of West Lancashire, Councillor Liz Savage, is set to round off her year of fundraising with one last 'big push' by hosting three more events across the borough.

During her term of office Cllr. Savage has been working with Mayor's Charity Committee to raise money for four worthy causes - Ormskirk Hospital Neonatal Unit; the Artz Centre, Birch Green; The Civic in Ormskirk; and the Birchwood Centre in Skelmersdale.

First up of the three events is a tea dance to be held at The Civic tomorrow (Thursday, March 30) from 2 to 4pm.

This will be followed by an Easter Bingo at St Anne's Parish Centre, Prescot Road, Ormskirk on Friday, April 7, starting at 7.30pm.

And the final event will be the Mayor's Showcase to be held at Hurlston Hall Golf Club, Scarisbrick on Friday, April 21. Starting at 7.30pm this will feature a three-course meal and musical entertainment to be provided by the Artz Centre, as well as a disco, auction and raffle.

Councillor Liz Savage

Cllr. Savage said: "The showcase will be a fantastic night to round off an exciting and rewarding year of fundraising for these four very worthy causes. A lot of people have been really supportive and I would hope that many of them can come along to this final event to help celebrate our successful year."

Tickets for the tea dance, priced £5, can be bought from The Civic on 01695 576607 or Ann England on 01695 585033.

Entry for the Easter Bingo costs £2 including refreshments and tickets can be bought from The Civic; Barn Owl, Moor Street, Ormskirk; Mooney Everett Solicitors in Ormskirk; or by calling Rachel on 07964841218.

Tickets for the Mayor's Showcase, priced £25, are available from MayorsCharity-wlbc@mail.com or from Ann England on 01695 585033.

Charity's Community Chest award

A WEST Lancs-based charity which aims to help adults with learning disabilities to gain employment by giving them work experience has received a helping hand from the council.

Timesavers, set up by a group of parents in 2010, has been awarded a £500 grant from the local authority's Community Chest fund which supports voluntary and community groups in the borough.

The charity provides an office administration service for voluntary sector organisations in West Lancs to give work experience opportunities for people with learning disabilities.

Charity trustee, Edward McCarthy, said: "I am delighted with this funding award. We are currently seeking more work placements for our trainees some of whom have already successfully carried out placements with our support."

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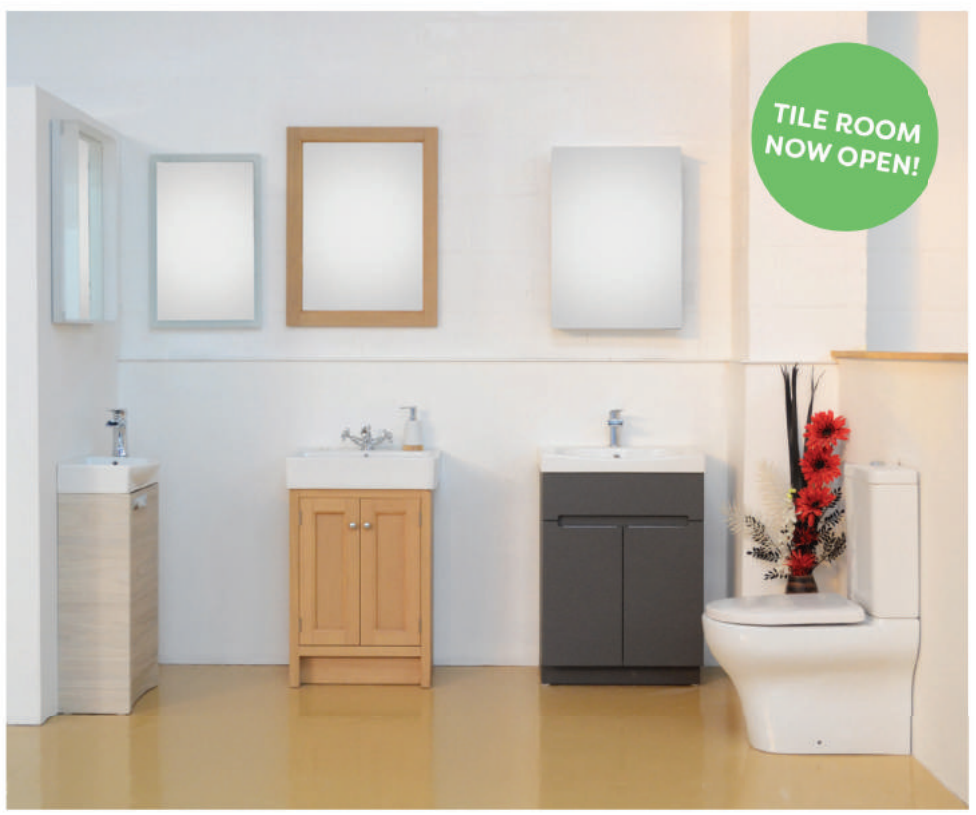

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Pupils and volunteers join council rangers for spring clean events

COMMUNITY-spirited schoolchildren and other volunteers joined West Lancs Council Rangers to take part in the Great British Spring Clean.

Following the success of the 'Clean for the Queen' campaign in 2016, which saw more that 250,000 people nationwide take part in litter-picking events, the Keep Britain Tidy Group launched the Great British Spring Clean project aiming to inspire 500,000 people to participate in community clean-ups.

West Lancs Council organised events, as well as encouraging and supporting parish councils and residents across the borough to 'do their own thing'.

Pupils and governors from Lathom High School were among 26 volunteers who helped the council rangers with a three-hour spring clean at Tawd Valley Park around the Summer Street area that saw them find enough rubbish to fill 71 bin bags, along with three shopping trollies!

Impressed

And children from Ormskirk Primary School and other volunteers teamed up to help the rangers clean around Station Approach in Ormskirk. They managed to pick up eight bin bags worth of litter and a traffic cone.

They also learned how they were helping the wildlife by removing litter.

Other clean-ups organised by the rangers took place at Coronation Park in Ormskirk, where 20 bags of rubbish were collected, and Chequer Lane Lake where five bags were filled despite the bad weather.

Councillor Yvonne Gagen, the council's portfolio holder for leisure, said: "I am really impressed with the amount of effort volunteers and the rangers put into these clean-up events as they have helped to clear up a lot of rubbish.

"I would also appeal to the general public to take their litter home and to help make sure our parks and countryside sites are clean and tidy for everyone to enjoy."

Pupils from Lathom High and other representatives of the school, including governors, Councillor Terry Devine and Councillor Claire Cooper, with some of the rubbish they collected

Plan to get more people walking and cycling

Chance to have your say on county council's draft strategy

RESIDENTS of West Lancashire are being urged to share their views on plans to encourage more people to walk and cycle on everyday and leisure journeys.

Lancashire County Council and partners are developing a draft Cycling and Walking Strategy which will shape local spending priorities aimed at developing walking and cycling over the next 10 years and building on the range of high-quality routes which already offer access to the county's towns, cities and rural landscape.

The ambitious plan aims to double the number of people cycling by 2026, and increase walking by 10% over the same period, with a focus on encouraging more primary-aged children to walk to school.

Benefits

It is aimed to tackle worsening levels of physical inactivity, with some areas in the county falling significantly below the national average.

Dr Sakthi Karunanithi, Lancashire County Council's director for public health and wellbeing, said: "Making it easier for people to walk and cycle brings many benefits, from improving people's health and wellbeing, reducing road congestion and improving local air quality, to providing access to job opportunities and supporting economic growth.

"There will be many opportunities to improve the routes, facilities and support for people to travel actively and safely, whatever the reason for their journey, and this strategy will underpin our approach.

"We're keen to hear what people think, and listen to any new ideas and I'd encourage people to have their say."

The consultation on the strategy runs until Friday, April 21. To see the strategy and offer your feedback, visit lancashire.gov.uk/haveyoursay.

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Edge Hill shortlisted for employability award

Report by **Henry James**

EDGE Hill has been shortlisted for a new award which recognises commitment to ensuring students are best equipped for the transition to employment.

The Ormskirk university is in the running for the 'Best University Employability Strategy' at the TARGETjobs National Graduate Recruitment Awards 2017.

Winners at what is the largest early careers recruitment awards in Europe will be announced at a ceremony at London's Grosvenor House hotel tomorrow (Thursday, March 30) after organisers have counted nearly 100,000 individual votes from undergraduates, apprentices and school-leavers.

This new award celebrates the achievements being made by higher education institutions to ensure that their undergraduates achieve their potential when searching and applying for graduate roles and moving into employment.

Jacqui Howe, head of careers at Edge Hill, said: "I am delighted that the university has been shortlisted for this prestigious award, it is incredibly important recognition of the work the careers team, departmental colleagues and all at Edge Hill do to ensure our graduates achieve success in their careers."

Edge Hill University

Mark Allanson, pro vice-chancellor for external relations, added: "A key part of the Edge Hill student experience is learning what employability attributes and skills are, getting to practice with employers and through the curriculum then reflecting on what they learn so they are able to present themselves in the most compelling way to start a career when they graduate.

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"But more, these remain with them as they change roles, take on new challenges and gain promotion throughout their career. It's our alumni that tell us this and we're proud that they come back to help the students that follow them."

Edge Hill is one of the top public universities in the country for graduate employment, with 95% of graduates in work or further study, according to the 2015 Destination of Leavers from Higher Education (DLHE) survey.

University officials say enhancing student employability is central to its strategy with the majority of degree programmes leading to professional qualification, accreditation or endorsement in addition to an academic award.

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The archery range is located at Asmall House Livery Stables, Asmall Lane, Ormskirk, immediately adjacent to the Asmall House Care Home.

Parkrun celebrates third anniversary with record turnout

THE Ormskirk parkrun celebrated its third birthday, and the arrival of spring on Saturday (March 25) by shattering its attendance record.

The previous record of 301 runners, only set in February was surpassed by a new total of exactly 400 runners out in the warming spring sunshine.

The usual 5km timed run around the grounds of Edge Hill University was followed by the annual awards ceremony for runners in various categories.

Run director for the day, Darren McMahon, commented: "It was great to see so many turn up. As runners flocked in before the start we realised it was going to be a special day but had not anticipated reaching the 400 mark.

"The huge attendance really is a sign that parkrun is for everyone - all shapes, sizes and speeds are welcome here, including walkers, buggy-pushers and wheelchair-users, and we very much welcome visually impaired runners, with whom we can match our trained guide runners."

Dawn Corlett and mother and daughter team Karen and Anna Hulme (pictured) have been regularly running at Ormskirk parkrun since it started in 2014, and have now completed more than 400 parkruns between them.

Karen said: "We really like coming along to Ormskirk parkrun on Saturday mornings. It is a wonderful community event and it is encouraging to see that participation is increasing all the time. It is also a great way to meet new people.

"We really enjoyed the third birthday celebrations. It was a beautiful spring morning, the sun was shining and there was lots of cake too!"

Parkrun regulars Dawn, Karen and Anna

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Residents' concerns increasing over proposed Lathom development

ADDITIONAL focus has been given in recent weeks to the proposed development of housing land off Firswood Road, Lathom.

As a group representing local residents, we are very concerned that the council will ignore large parts of the Development Brief for the site in its eagerness to see development begin. Such an approach will disadvantage residents, both of existing houses and the newly-built homes in the immediate area and the implications could spread to other developments in West Lancashire.

Everything was 'on track' when the Director of Planning (Mr Harrison) wrote to the developers in November 2015, setting out the council's requirements. This confirmed the points made at a pre-planning application meeting a few weeks earlier and contained in the adopted Development Brief of August 2014.

A further meeting took place only a few months later, in April 2016, but the (more junior) officers present neither took minutes nor wrote to confirm the council's much-changed position, as recorded by the applicants' agents.

All we know is that the developers have quoted these notes in their application documents. We asked the two officers to comment about these notes but their only response was that they could not be expected to remember what had been said at the meeting, six months later. This was in relation to a major reversal of approach compared with the one described by their own boss only a few months earlier!

Over nearly four months we have tried, without any success, to arrange a meeting with the most senior officers at the council and correspondence with them has met mostly with bland comments.

Now we have found that important documents have not been entered on the council's website. These website entries were supposed to replace the old paper case files, to which the public had full access. Now it seems that the planning officers are being allowed to omit items from public view at their discretion.

Nowadays the planning scales are loaded in favour of applicants. Officers say that they do not make major decisions but they make recommendations which, if rejected by the planning committee, can be taken to appeal, where the adjudicator (a Government Inspector) will take into account those recommendation and any comments made at pre-application meetings

Roger Clayton, secretary,
South Lathom Residents' Association

Speeding 'rat run' lorries are a danger to our children

IT'S time we stopped heavily-laden lorries travelling to Kew in Southport from using Long Lane, Aughton as a rat run.

I am surprised that nobody is interested in preventing an accident along this road.

I take my grandchildren to Christ Church School and every morning very large lorries, fully-laden, come hurtling past. In fact, this morning one ran onto the pavement and forced me and my grandchildren to stand back.

I have tried to phone the Highways Department and they gave me the direct line to the Traffic Safety Department. I have phoned on many occasions and no one answers.

Long Lane has a 20mph speed limit in parts and is not suitable for speeding, heavy-laden lorries. It is easy to stop them by putting a weight restriction on the road, these are 20 ton-plus lorries!

The lorries should then use the motorway past Maghull and feed on to the Southport dual carriageway system, which is where they should be.

Does anybody care about our children? Come on traffic safety officers and police, do something!

Tony Jennings,
Woodland Avenue, Scarisbrick

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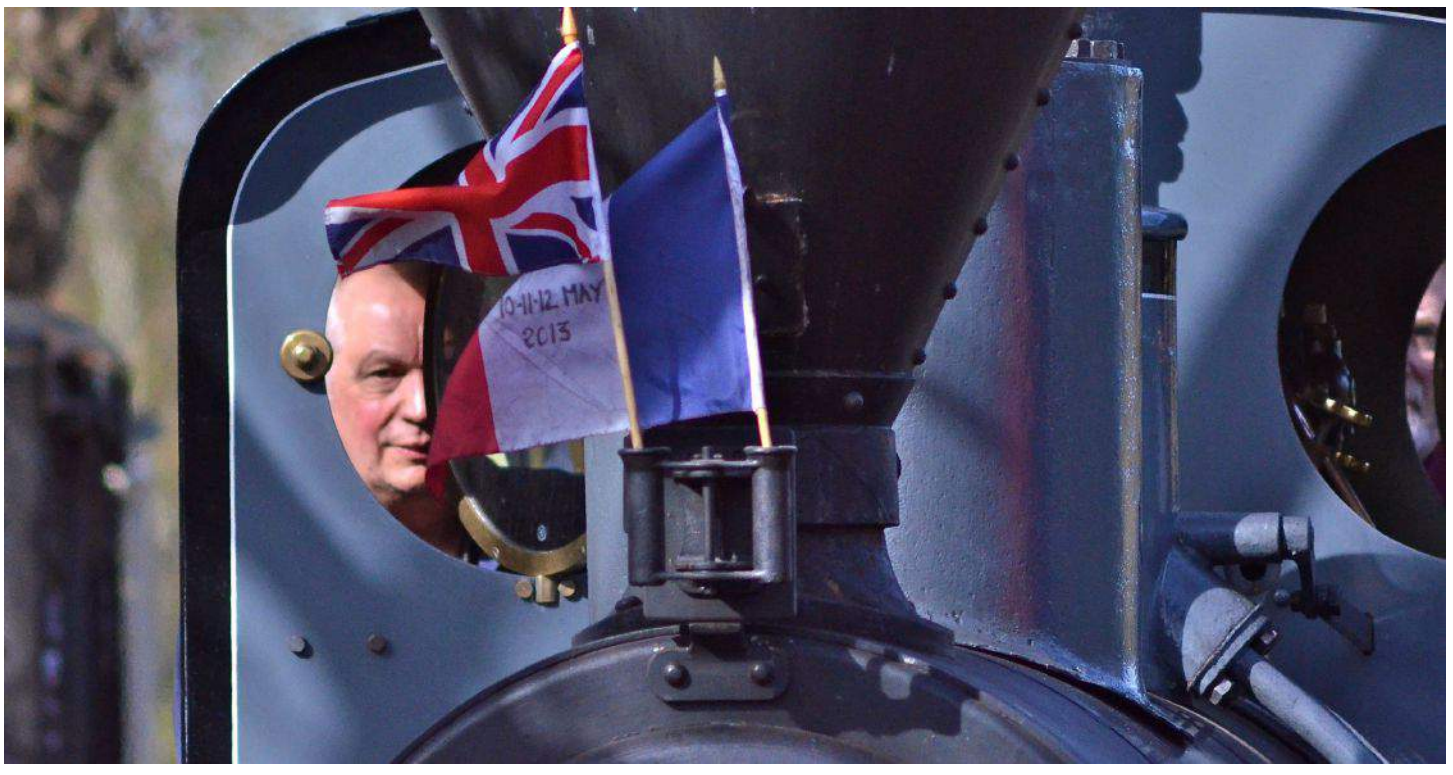

Engine driver Alan on board 'Joffre', one of the steam locomotives running last Sunday to mark the start of a year of events celebrating the 50th anniversary of West Lancashire Light Railway in Hesketh Bank. Picture by Martyn Snape.

Hospital staff were excellent

MAY I, through your paper, commend the excellent attention I have received from all the staff at Ormskirk Hospital, particularly Ward G.

The surgical team, nurses and physiotheraphy staff have all been great throughout my knee replacement operation.

The NHS receives its share of bad Press and it is my pleasure to report 100 per cent satisfaction. A big thank-you to all concerned.

John Brown, Easkdale Avenue, Aughton

Free advice to help conquer fear of dogs

MANY of us either own a dog or will meet one when out and about, but readers might be surprised to know that research from Dogs Trust has shown that one in three children is afraid of dogs.

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Adrian Burder, Dogs Trust CEO

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Happy school days recalled

I WANTED to share my fond memories of Aughton St Michael's Church of England Primary School after I stumbled across this school photograph *(right)* from 1977 in the attic.

I started at the school in Holt Green prior to its move and my family have lived in Aughton since the 1700s and still do.

I enjoyed the school and have fond memories, especially of the sports day potato sack race when farmers provided the hessian sacks.

I am on the back row, fourth from left as you look at the photograph.

James Woods, Aughton,
by email

Hospital staff put on the style for hospice

Fourth fashion show raises £4,500

STAFF at a West Lancashire Hospital swapped the wards for the catwalk for a night to raise a four-figure sum for a worthy cause.

Renacres Hospital in Halsall staged its fourth charity fashion show, entitled Fashion for Compassion, at Hurlston Hall in Scarisbrick, in aid of Queenscourt Hospice.

More than 170 ladies from across Ormskirk and surrounding areas attended the fashionista sell-out event and gave generously to raise a grand total of £4,500.

Guests were welcomed by The Northern String Quartet and the event featured two spring/summer designer fashion shows showcasing this year's 'must-have' designer wardrobe from Busy Body's Lingerie Specialists, Birkdale Village and MUSE, Southport.

Generous donations were made throughout the evening and a luxury raffle also contributed to the final amount raised.

As well as guests, local businesses also dug deep and donated items and offers for each goodie bag, plus raffle prizes to raise funds for the hospice which provides support and care for patients from throughout West Lancashire, Southport and Formby.

Organisers and guests at the fashion show

Representatives from Renacres Hospital were also blown away by a random act of kindness on the night when an accountant from B&M Stores in Southport announced that B&M would also donate £500 to the total amount raised.

Wendy Williams, GP Liaison Officer at Renacres Hospital who organised the event, said: "On behalf of Renacres Hospital I would just like to thank all those who made the evening a great success, because of you we have managed to raise a whopping £4,500 for our charity of the year.

"A sincere thank-you to all local businesses who gave up their time, services and donations.

Carolyn Gorman, fundraising manager at Queenscourt Hospice, added: "This was an amazing night out and the team at Renacres Hospital should be really proud that all their hard work and enthusiasm has ensured the success of this wonderful event.

"Thanks should also go to Busy Body's and Muse who organised the fashion shows, and all the other local people and businesses who got involved without whom this event would just not have been possible.

"The total amount raised is amazing and it's thanks to the support of dedicated people like Wendy and the team at Renacres that Queenscourt Hospice can continue to provide care to local people completely free of charge at a time that they most need it."

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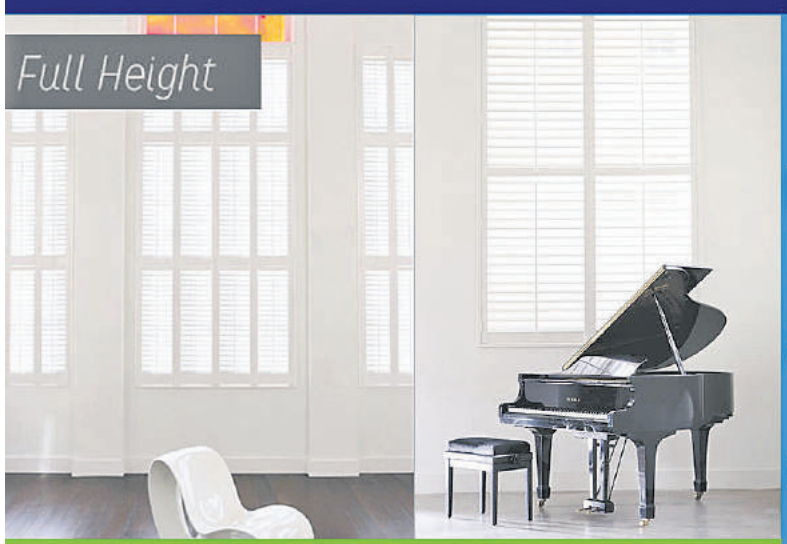

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Council's new Street Scene chief looking forward to challenge

WEST Lancs Council's new director of Street Scene Services is "looking forward to the challenge" of her new role.

Heidi McDougall joins the authority from Derbyshire Dales District Council, where she was head of environmental services with a wide range of responsibilities including refuse collection, waste management and street cleansing, and led the team to deliver a range of fundamental improvements.

With 20 years' experience in local government, Heidi started her career as an environmental health officer at Tameside Council. She later worked at Rossendale Council then Salford Council where, as a neighbourhood manager, she worked closely with local communities to tackle issues such as anti-social behaviour, initiating environmental projects and the transfer of assets for communities to manage.

In her new role with West Lancs Heidi will have responsibility for street cleansing, grounds maintenance, refuse and recyclables collections, the council's transport fleet and commercial and bulky waste collections.

She said: "I enjoy working with people and am looking forward to the challenges ahead.

New director of Street Scene Services at West Lancs Council, Heidi McDougall, is welcomed by Councillor Kevin Wilkie

"A key priority for the council is to be ambitious for our environment by enhancing its cleanliness.

"I am looking forward to bringing my wealth of experience to West Lancashire, working with councillors, staff and the community to make sure we make the best use of our resources in Street Scene Services and continue to provide value for money.

"Like most authorities West Lancashire Borough Council is having to work hard to balance the budget and I am focussed on making all our services the best they can possibly be for residents within the resources available."

Councillor Kevin Wilkie, cabinet member for Street Scene, said: "Heidi brings a lot of skills and experience to the role of director and is an excellent recruit for the council. I am very much looking forward to working with her."

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Club boost for Alfie's world record bid

Report by **Tom Martin**

Alfie, with brother Cameron and dad Mark, receiving a cheque for £200 from Bootle FC board members Bobby Capstick and Ken Head

BURSCOUGH youngster Alfie Lund, who suffers from a rare illness, was given a special gift to boost his hopes of breaking a world record.

The nine-year-old, who has a rare genetic neurodevelopmental disorder called MECP2 duplication syndrome, was invited to Bootle FC on Saturday, March 25 to be a mascot for the team.

And as well as leading out the Bucks for their league clash with Runcorn Linnets, he was also given £200 by the club and a further £400 raised by supporters.

The money will go to the Alfie Lund Fund, set up by the youngster's family to buy him the specialist medical equipment he needs.

Alfie is currently trying to create a new Guinness World Record for the longest chain of football-related memorabilia, and he was given a Liverpool FC shirt signed by former player Dirk Kuyt to add to his growing collection!

He wants to be the first person to set the world record, with the hope of submitting it in May and then the memorabilia will be sold off for charity.

Alfie's dad, Mark, said: "We were privileged to have Alfie and his brother Dominic as mascots for Bootle FC. It was also an amazing gesture giving Alfie a kit and tracksuit for the occasion.

"Thanks to Bootle for their help and huge respect to all supporters."

A spokesperson for Bootle FC, said: "It was quite a memorable day for all concerned. There were more than 400 people there on Saturday to see the presentation and all of the lads who were mascots, including Alfie, were so excited!"

MECP2 duplication syndrome is a condition that occurs almost exclusively in males and is characterised by moderate to severe intellectual disability.

Most people with this condition also have weak muscle tone in infancy, feeding difficulties, poor or absent speech, or muscle stiffness.

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Residents' views sought on homelessness strategy

RESIDENTS are being invited to give their views on a document that will guide how West Lancs Council helps some of the most vulnerable people in the area.

The council has carried out a review of homelessness in the borough with the findings used to create a new draft Homelessness Strategy for 2017-2022.

Now the authority wants residents and providers of local homelessness services to give their views as part of the development of the new strategy.

In the review it was found that despite homelessness increasing nationally, in West Lancashire the number has been in decline since 2011.

The use of temporary accommodation is also low compared to national figures, with only 10 households being placed in 2015/16.

Key objectives of the strategy are to enhance the depth and range of housing advice services to meet current and future challenges; enhance the housing offer available to all homeless applicants in the borough; and improve health and wellbeing. An action plan has been devised to meet those objectives.

For more information on the draft strategy visit www.westlancs.gov.uk/yourviews and click in the consultations underway link.

Councillor Kevin Wright, whose portfolio includes responsibility for the strategy, said: "This strategy is a very important document as it helps the council assist some of the most vulnerable people in our community. I would urge people to take part in the consultation to ensure the final strategy reflects the requirements of local people."

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Careers fair attracts 1,500-plus

TO celebrate National Careers Week and National Apprenticeship Week, West Lancashire College opened its Skelmersdale Campus to more than 1,500 school pupils and students with the aim of educating and inspiring them on their future careers.

Youngsters from the borough and beyond were given the opportunity to engage in activities with more than 60 employers from a wide range of industries.

The young people could find out about new careers, talk about their future options and view a range of apprenticeships and job vacancies on offer.

Employers from across the North West attended the day which also provided a range of interactive activities for pupils to get involved in.

Companies represented included Hotter Shoes, NSG Pilkingtons, SCA Hygiene, Co-op Bank, Karl Vella, Fairbanks Environmental, Wish FM, Safe & Warm, Stocks Hall, Home Instead, St Richard's RC Primary School, West Lancs Council, Walkers/PepsiCo, Southport & Ormskirk NHS Trust, The Imagery, the Army, the Police, STEM First, Edge Hill University, UcLan, Royal Bank of Scotland and Graylaw Freight.

Universities from across the North West also attended to further raise student and pupils' aspirations.

Denise Williamson, principal of West Lancashire College said: "We were delighted to host the Interactive Careers Fair for the fifth consecutive year. Raising the aspirations of young people and unlocking potential through learning with apprenticeship and vocational education are at the heart of what we do at West Lancashire College.

"The fair was a truly collaborative and inspirational event with the college, schools and employers working together to stage a fabulous extravaganza of career opportunities and hands-on activities.

"To see more than 1,000 young people being both curious and engaged in their potential future careers was so rewarding.

"A big thank-you goes to our learners, local schools and employers who made this event so successful."

Martyn Saint (left) and Darren Houghton from Hotter Shoes chat to students at the Interactive Careers Fair hosted by West Lancashire College.

Unions warn of funds cut impact on local schools

Report by **Henry James**

UNION leaders have warned that schools in West Lancashire will soon begin to feel the impact of an estimated £3 billion shortfall in the government's education budget by 2020.

Officials of the National Association of Head Teachers (NAHT) say the picture is extremely bleak, with 98 per cent of schools set to lose funding, at a time when costs are rising and pupil numbers are growing.

At the end of last year the Champion reported on how high schools in West Lancashire could lose out on hundreds of thousands of pounds worth of funding as a result of new government proposals, according to the National Union of Teachers (NUT).

Among those forecast to be the hardest hit were Ormskirk School and Our Lady Queen of Peace Catholic Engineering College in Skelmersdale.

Projected figures show that Lancashire is likely to lose an average of £440 per pupil, a total of more than £68 million for the county as a whole and the equivalent of more than 1,800 average teacher salaries.

And union bosses warn that the impact on learning will be significant with class sizes in primary schools rising and some GCSE and A Level subjects cut from the curriculum entirely as school budgets are pushed beyond breaking point.

The funding shortfall is a result of drastically increased costs and levies on schools with no additional money from the government.

The NAHT point out that Lancashire will also be hit by the new national formula the government has introduced to calculate funding levels for schools in England.

Union leaders believe a fairer distribution of funding is the right thing to aim for, but claim that the introduction of the new formula at a time of real crisis in overall education funding means that schools in Lancashire stand to lose significant amounts of money, putting teaching and school improvement at risk.

Russell Hobby, general secretary of the NAHT, said: "School budgets are being pushed beyond breaking point. The government's £3 billion real terms cut to education funding must be reversed or we will see education and care suffer. Already heads are being forced to cut staff, cut the curriculum and cut specialist support

"A new funding formula is the right thing to do, but it cannot be truly fair unless there is enough money to go round in the first place."

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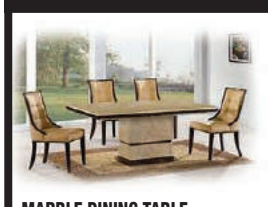

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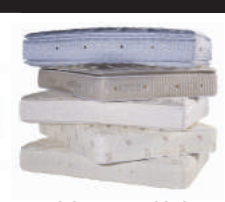

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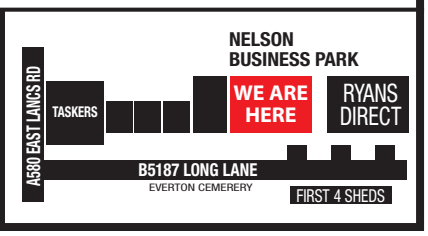

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Sorry for the 'sombre' tone of this week's offering but I feel strongly about the Union

NICOLA Sturgeon and Martin McGuinness are two people who have behaved in totally different ways.

Nicola Sturgeon is a quite likeable, forthright though (in my opinion) misguided person.

Martin McGuinness, not that long ago a leader of a band of terrorists bringing misery to thousands of innocent families in the name of 'freedom', now seems to have gained almost sainthood for his undoubted efforts in bringing peace in Northern Ireland.

What is upsetting me is that in both these cases, nobody seems to be interested in the 'why?' - just the end result.

It seems to me that Ms Sturgeon has succumbed to the siren call of power.

She is pursuing a narrow wrecking agenda of her own.

She, and her fellow SNP MPs in the UK Parliament, seem set on destroying the Union in the name of 'her'; people, forgetting that she is not speaking for all Scotland.

And what of former terrorist Martin McGuinness?

It's all very well citing his statesmanlike humanitarian efforts in promoting the peace process in his troubled land.

But although I confess I may be wrong, it seems to me that his quite sudden 'road to Damascus' conversion smells more like the trade-unionist who finds himself promoted to the company board. I've seen so many people at different levels of society who have tasted the undoubted benefits of joining the 'us' rather than 'them.'

Suddenly the cloth cap or terrorist mask is consigned to the dustbin, in favour of a dinner jacket and chauffeured limousine.

And I don't altogether blame them.

If I were to be offered the trappings of high office at the expense of some long-held belief, the temptation must be strong indeed.

But that does not mean that I can necessarily believe either of these two political leopards can really have changed their spots.

Again, these two are almost diametrically different.

Nicola Sturgeon has dropped her veil of simply wanting the best for Scotland - and become a power-hungry danger not only to her fellow Scots, but to all of us.

While I find it difficult to believe that Martin McGuinness ever regretted his terrorist Provisional IRA days.

Yes, he changed tack because he realised that what he wanted for 'his' people could only be achieved round the table rather than with a gun - and we must all be grateful for that.

But I reckon that his 'Chuckle Brothers' performances with the late Reverend Ian Paisley showed more of his delight in becoming an accepted political big nob, meeting the Queen, appearing on TV debates, attending official dinners, than any regret at the part his now discarded persona played only a few years earlier.

It sickens me to hear our leaders pontificating about his good deeds, while slipping in a mention of 'of course I regret his former role in the IRA'.

I join in the condolences to the bereaved relatives of Mr McGuinness, and I respect the right of Scottish people to express their opinions - but they have given their view and voted only recently to remain a part of the United Kingdom.

I'm sorry to have written such a sombre 'Dog' this week, but I feel so strongly about the future of the union of England, Wales, Scotland and Northern Ireland and the danger of air-brushing history to suit the pressures of the moment.

Normal service will, I hope, be resumed next week.

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Appointment of new police chief confirmed

LANCASHIRE'S Police and Crime Panel has confirmed the appointment of Andy Rhodes as the county's next Chief Constable.

Made up of councillors from across Lancashire and co-opted independent members, the panel met this month to consider the process undertaken by the police and crime commissioner in deciding to appoint Mr Rhodes who is currently Deputy Chief Constable of the force.

They also had the chance to question the Chief Constable elect about the role and the future of Lancashire Police under his leadership.

He described the job as "my dream role" and his appointment as the greatest achievement of his career.

Mr Rhodes said his role with the National Police Chiefs Council and peer reviewing other forces meant his experience stretched beyond Lancashire.

The move also makes way for the appointment of a new Deputy Chief Constable and the role has been advertised nationally.

An additional role of Assistant Chief Constable is also being advertised as ACC Mark Bates has announced he is also to retire this summer.

Mr Rhodes will take over from retiring Chief Constable Steve Finnigan who is the longest serving chief in the country.

Lancashire's Police Commissioner, Clive Grunshaw, said he was delighted with the appointment and was looking forward to working with the new chief to deliver the new Police and Crime Plan.

Bishop officiates at Confirmation Service

THE Bishop of Blackburn, the Right Reverend Julian Henderson, confirmed 20 young people at an inspired Confirmation Service at Christ Church, Parbold.

Candidates for Confirmation came from Christ Church; All Saints Church, Appley Bridge; and St Anne's Church, Shevington.

The church was filled with family and friends of the confirmees, and the bishop was assisted by Christ Church and All Saints parish priest, Reverend Sue Timmins, St Anne's, Shevington parish priest, Reverend Philip Dennison, and All Saints reader, Diane Green.

The service was followed by refreshments, as the confirmees and their families celebrated with church officials.

Some of the confirmees and the clergy

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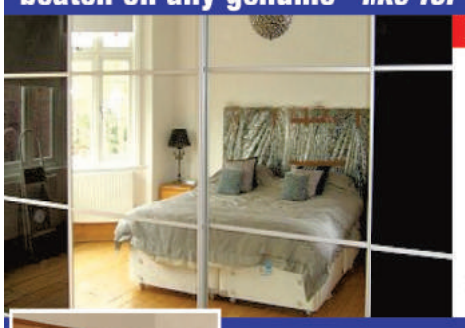

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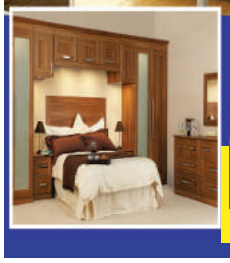

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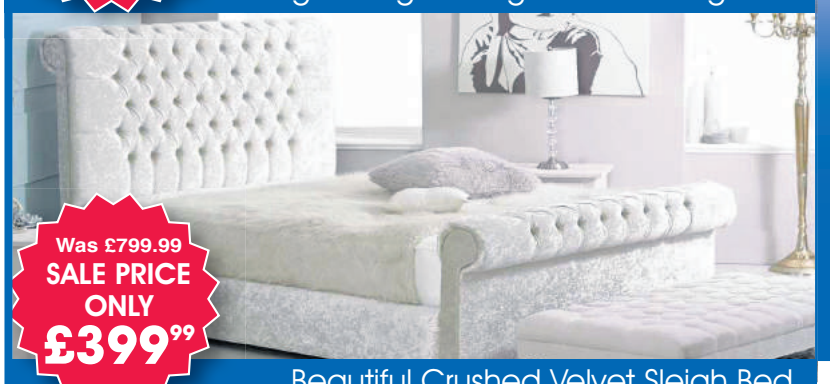

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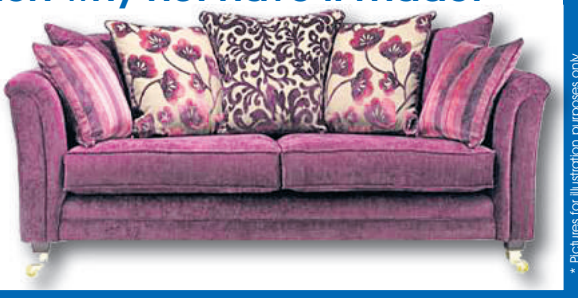

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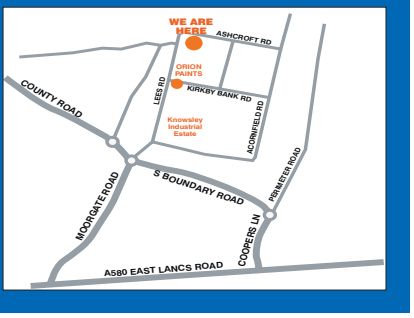

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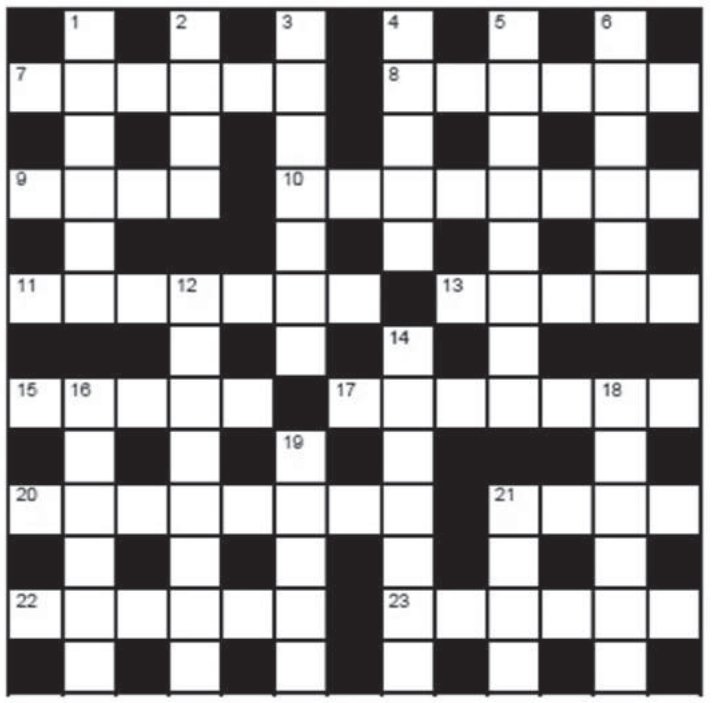

Last week's solutions:

Across: 7 Sierra. 8 Coeval. 9 Zinc. 10 Thorough. 11 Scented. 13 Adorn. 15 Harpy. 16 Cushion. 18 Gasoline. 19 Ugli. 21 Desist. 22 On hold.

Down: 1 Kiwi. 2 Arachnophobia. 3 Canteen. 4 Scoop. 5 Second thought. 6 Kangaroo. 12 Charades. 14 Jukebox. 17 Kitty. 20 Lilt.

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ACROSS

7. To co-operate on a matter of mutual concern (6)
8. Having merit (6)
9. Sharpen (4)
10. Popular name for sports shoes often used for casual wear (8)
11. Sequin (7)
13. Japanese dish of cold, cooked rice typically topped with raw fish (5)
15. Malice (5)
17. Product of a thousand and a thousand (7)
20. Likely to happen (8)
21. Manner or fashion (4)
22. Refuse to acknowledge a connection with (6)
23. To claim someone has done something wrong, usually without proof (6)

DOWN

1. An unlucky accident (6)
2. Formed by bending your fingers tightly into your palm usually to strike a blow (4)
3. Non-Jewish person (7)
4. Make a minor adjustment (5)
5. Calm, peaceful (8)
6. Building used for public Christian worship (6)
12. Small laptop computer (8)
14. Willing to respect or accept behaviour or opinions different from one's own (7)
16. Authorise or allow (6)
18. Later part of life (3, 3)
19. Heavy blackish or very dark brown timber from a mainly tropical tree (5)
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Ghost giveaway!

We've five pairs of tickets to win for spectacular new stage production coming to the Empire, Liverpool

GHOST the musical is coming to the Empire Theatre, Liverpool, and the Champion has five pairs of tickets to give away to readers.

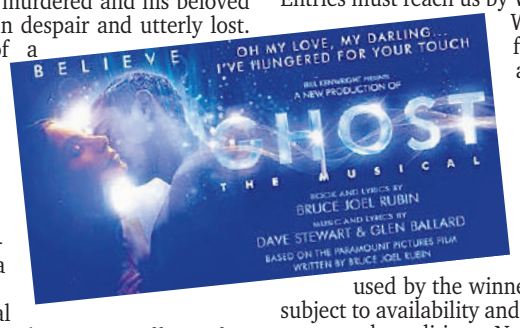
This brand-new production from Bill Kenwright tells the timeless story of love, despair and hope.

Taking its inspiration from the classic movie, this innovative re-imagining will feature an expanded book, new music and original staging.

The double Academy Award-winning movie was a huge success story, both critically and at the box office, where it was the highest grossing film in the year of its release. It starred the late Patrick Swayze, Demi Moore, Tony Goldwyn and Whoopi Goldberg and was directed by Jerry Zucker. The film's most iconic and moving scene was famously performed to the Righteous Brothers' Unchained Melody, which also features in the musical version.

Ghost won numerous awards and nominations, including being nominated for an Academy Award for Best Film.

Walking back to their apartment one night a tragic encounter sees Sam murdered and his beloved girlfriend Molly alone, in despair and utterly lost. But with the help of a phoney storefront psychic, Sam, trapped between this world and the next, tries to communicate with Molly in the hope of saving her from grave danger.



Don't miss this spectacular new production of a wonderful musical.

To celebrate the arrival of Ghost in Liverpool, the Champion is offering five pairs of tickets for the performance on Monday, April 10. To be in with a chance of winning, just answer the following question:

Q: Who played Sam in the movie, Ghost?

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Forces veterans and primary pupils help to mark Commonwealth Day

LOCAL armed forces veterans and pupils from Ormskirk Primary School children helped to raise the Commonwealth Flag at a special ceremony organised by West Lancs Council to mark Commonwealth Day 2017.

The celebrations took place outside the council offices in Derby Street, Ormskirk where a message from the Commonwealth Secretary-General was read out by the council's deputy leader, Councillor Yvonne Gagen.

Mayor of West Lancs, Councillor Liz Savage, also addressed the crowd and a specially-written Commonwealth Affirmation was read by veteran Tony Hamer before the raising of the flag.

This was followed by a commemorative act marking the centenary of the First World War World War.

A two-minute silence was held and Cllr. Savage lit three candles as a reminder of the sacrifices made during the past 100 years through conflicts in which the country has been involved and also as a symbol of hope that we will all work towards understanding between peoples.

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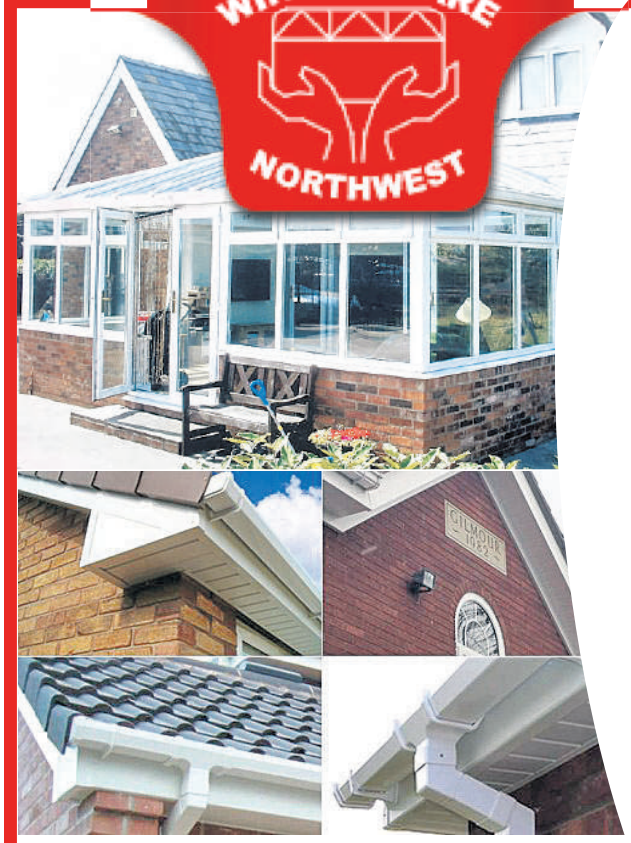

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Age UK Lancashire manager speaks at Breathe Easy group meeting

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She explained what Age UK Lancashire does and how it differs from Age UK at national level, based in London.

Age UK was formed in 2009 following a merger of Help the Aged and Age Concern and the charity's London base organises major health campaigns and applies for lottery funding.

Age UK Lancashire, meanwhile, is one of 170 local 'federal' Age UK areas operating independently and fundraising in its own right, although it does receive support from the London office.

It offers advice and help, including for those applying for available benefits, branches, such as the one in Moorgate, Ormskirk, also organise activities including Line Dancing, computer classes, keep-fit, tea dances, and painting.

There is also a Dementia Community Link Service, a footcare service and home help service.

Other local Age UK offices are based at Cambridge Walks in Southport and the Ecumenical Centre in Skelmersdale, while a variety of free, helpful leaflets are available on a range of subjects and a free Age UK Life-book, a useful personal organiser, can be ordered.

Ann also explained many of the other services and help Age UK can advise on, including how to ensure your name is on the Priority Services Register, run by the utility companies.

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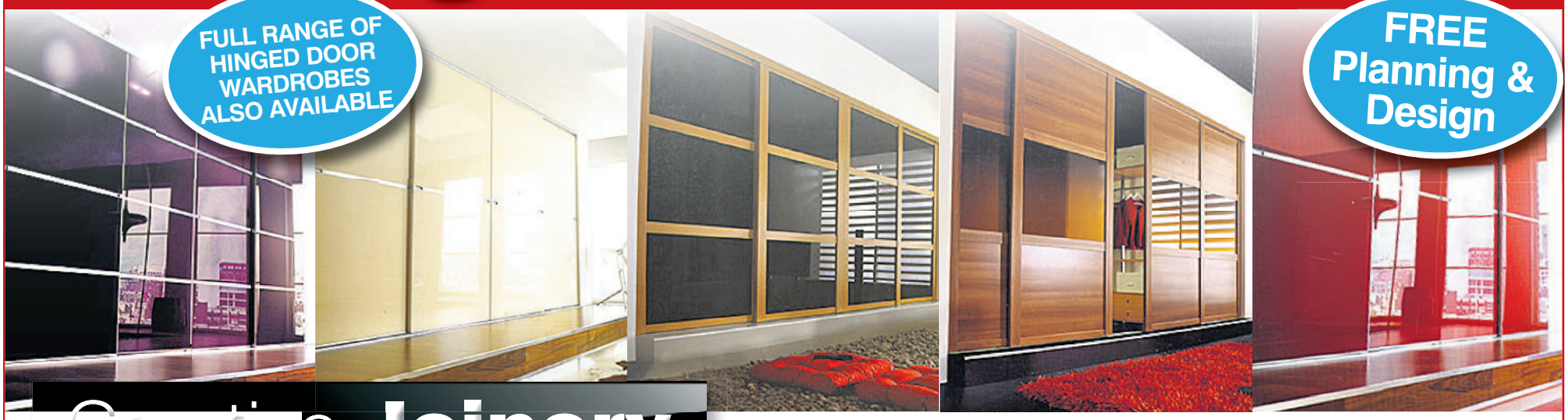

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Only about 1,000 Nenes – pronounced 'nay-nay' after their call – survive in the wild in their native Hawaii. The gosling , born on 17 March, has spent his first two weeks in the safety of the duckling nursery to ensure it is safe and well before going out in the grounds in time of the Easter holidays starting on 1 April.

The Nene (also known as Hawaiian Goose) is popular at the centre for being one of the birds that will actually take bird food from the hand and is an enjoyable attraction for children and adults.

The Hawaiian goose represents WWT's greatest conservation success story by breeding the birds in captivity and releasing them in the wild. The reintroduction programme started at Martin Mere in the 1980s when just three eggs were delivered to the centre and there are now approximately 60 Hawaiian Geese in the grounds.

Sometimes known as Lava geese, Nene's are the only waterfowl adapted for life on lava flows. An estimated 25,000 Nene's used to inhabit the Hawaiian islands, but following the arrival of Europeans in 1778 their numbers immediately began to decline. The introduction of the mongoose in 1883 then seemed to seal their fate as it prayed voraciously on eggs, chicks and adults alike.

By 1907, the Nene was recognised as a protected species, but this seemed too little too late and only 20 or 30 birds survived by 1949. A major re-introduction programme was launched which saw Sir Peter Scott bring over two of the only remaining Nene's in the world from Hawaii, then WWT went on to release more than 200 of them back to the wild over the years helping to save the Nene from extinction.

WWT Martin Mere Wetland Centre is open every day (except Christmas Day) from 9.30am to 6pm and parking is free of charge. Situated off the A59, it is signposted from the M61, M58 and M6. The Centre is also accessible via the Southport to Manchester and the Liverpool to Preston line by train from Burscough Rail Stations. Visit the web site http://www.wwt.org.uk/martinmere/ to find out what's on all year round at Martin Mere and the other eight WWT Wetland Centres.

Visit the web site www.wwt.org.uk/martinmere to find out what's on the reserve at the moment as well as all the upcoming events

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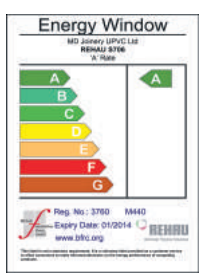

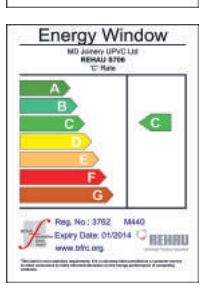

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Prestigious Illustration Awards Exhibition to visit Chapel Gallery

By Danielle Thompson

THE Chapel Gallery has a packed programme of events in store over the next few weeks.

From Saturday (April 1) to Saturday, May 6 visitors to the venue in St Helens Road, Ormskirk, can enjoy the prestigious international Illustration Awards Exhibition from The Association of Illustrators.

This features work from some of the best illustrators in the UK and the Chapel Gallery is the only venue in the north hosting this touring show.

Meanwhile, back by popular demand, The Reading Room book swap library will be found in the main gallery space.

With plenty of books provided by Waterstones, Ormskirk, people can bring a book and swap it for another, or take a seat and read at the gallery for a while. The opening event takes place on Saturday, April 1.

Creative Easter fun begins on Tuesday, April 4 with create a Bunny Box. Other events in the programme are Fancy Fabric Eggs (Friday, April 7); Spring into Spring Box (Tuesday, April 11); and Super Hero Bunny Masks (Thursday, April 13).

Each workshop is suitable for children aged five and over and will be accompanied by plenty of games and creative activities for all ages. The workshops cost £2 per child per session (adults free) and there are morning and afternoon sessions to choose from.

An image by Levante Szabo was used in the British Academy of Film and Television Arts (BAFTA)'s Film Awards brochure

As a special treat for the holidays the Amazing Cardboard Carnival by Lempen Puppets, will take place on Saturday, April 15 with performances at 11am and 2pm.

This is an extraordinary puppet show, where the characters are created as the story unfolds. Tickets are £4 for individuals and £15 for a family ticket.

For a full programme, further information or to book any of the Creative Easter Fun events or tickets for the 'Amazing Cardboard Carnival', contact the gallery on 01695 571328 or email chapel.gallery@westlancs.gov.uk.

Children can enjoy free Easter-themed activities

CHILDREN can enjoy a number of free Easter-themed events with the Junior Rangers club in West Lancashire.

The activities, organised by the borough council's parks and countryside service, all start at 2pm and are open to youngsters aged between five and 12, although under-eights require adult supervision.

First up on Sunday, April 2 there's a chance to join the Rangers for themed crafts and activities at the Easter Egg Bands event at Coronation Park, Ormskirk. Meeting point is the park's bowling pavilion.

Next is the Junior Rangers Easter Springwatch event at Beacon Country Park, Up Holland, on Tuesday, April 4 when yungsters can enjoy themed crafts and activities and take a closer look at the park's wildlife and learn more about the seasonal changes and challenges facing our native plants and animals. Meeting point is the park visitor centre.

More craft activities take place at the Junior Rangers Easter event at Stanley Coronation Park in Skelmersdale on Monday, April 10 and a similar event takes place at Richmond Park, Burscough, on Wednesday, April 12. Both start from the bowling pavilions.

There is also an Easter Egg Hunt on Tuesday, April 11 at Beacon Country Park, starting from the visitor centre.

Places must be booked in advance by calling 01695 622794 and those attending should wear suitable footwear and clothing for outdoor events.

Residents encouraged to experience great outdoors

THERE'S a chance to enjoy the great outdoors with some great events organised by West Lancs Council's parks and countryside service in April.

The Clieves Hill Circular Walk on Monday, April 3 is a six-mile ramble starting at Coronation Park, Ormskirk and exploring footpaths through the wider local countryside.

The walk is open to all and will be set at a relaxed, manageable pace. Walkers will meet at the bowling green pavilion in Coronation Park, Ormskirk, at 9.50am for a 10am start.

On Sunday, April 16 the council Rangers are hosting a 12-mile guided walk through the countryside of Burscough and Rufford on the Burscough Wetlands Walk.

This walk covers beautiful open countryside with a focus on wildlife-rich woodlands and wetlands, and will be mainly along footpaths through the countryside. Meet at Platts Lane car park, Burscough, at 9.50am for a 10am start.

Meanwhile, volunteers can help the Rangers with the Tawd Valley Park clean-up on Saturday, April 22, starting at 10am. They will be clearing litter and debris from the river and footpaths and making this hidden jewel in the heart of Skelmersdale sparkle a little bit more brightly.

Meet at the lower car park (nearest the river) behind Skelmersdale library at 9.50am for a 10am start. Please be aware that this is a practical countryside event and dress in appropriate clothing and footwear. A pair of decent work gloves is advisable.

Then on Saturday, April 29 people can enjoy a Bee Safari by taking a stroll around Beacon Country Park with experts from Lancashire Wildlife Trust's 'Plan Bee' project. They will talk about local bees, their importance and what we can all do to help them. Meet at the Visitor Centre, Beacon Country Park, Up Holland at 1.50pm for a 2pm start.

Please note under-16s must be accompanied by an adult at all these events. All participants should wear appropriate footwear and clothing for the weather and ground conditions at each event.

Addams family to spook theatre's audiences

THEY'RE creepy, kooky, spooky and kooky, and, more important, they've definitely settled in Southport.

The Addams Family a musical comedy surrounded by Charles Addams' sweetish ghoulish renderings of Gomez, Morticia, Uncle Fester, Lurch, Pugsley, Grandmamma and, of course, Wednesday.

The show is coming to The Atkinson this April 6 to 8 by the talented award winning company SONG who have won NODA's Best Ensemble award two years in a row.

The story isn't an adaptation of The Addams Family movies or TV shows but an original story. But of course, the depictions of the characters are heavily informed by past screen versions, and the overture kicks off with a snippet of the familiar TV theme.

Daughter Wednesday is all grown up and in love with boyishly passionate Lucas Beineke.

Wednesday is suddenly very anxious to have her bizarre family act "normal" to make a good impression on her boyfriend's uptight father Mal and relentlessly upbeat mother Alice when they are invited for dinner. But the moment Lurch ushers the Beinekes inside the decrepit mansion, tension begins to mount.

Mal who is in the demolition business takes immediate interest in wanting to tear down the house and Alice Lucas's mum spouts out happy poems at random, a nervous habit.

Pugsley, Grandmamma and Fester try hard to be normal, but they could not be more peculiar! Wednesday having worn black for the last 18 years comes down to meet her boyfriend in yellow.

That is just the start and the story reveals so much more keeping audiences amused and gripped throughout.

The cast of The Addams Family

Charles Moss recent winner of the NODA Best Musical director said: "The songs by Andrew Lippa are a grab bag of tango, cabaret and vaudeville-style numbers that are very entertaining and mostly appropriate to the Addams aesthetic.

"We have a 12 piece orchestra to support a variety of very good musical numbers - most very witty, some rather touching."

Vicci Harrocks has choreographed a selection of dances that aim to enhance the show and delight audiences. She commented: "We hope to see families enjoying the much loved family during the Easter holidays."

To buy tickets contact the Box office on 01704 533333.

I couldn't take my eyes off Jersey Boys show

'OH What A Nite' – The Jerseys
Epstein Theatre, Liverpool.

RESPLENDENT in scarlet jackets and black slacks, The Jerseys looked the epitome of early Sixties vocal groups **writes Ron Ellis.**

Dominic Creighton made a great Frankie Valli, reaching the falsetto highs that gave The Four Seasons one of the most distinctive and recognisable sounds around, supplemented by excellent harmony vocals from Max Fox, Shaun Wareing and Jack Wealthall.

A background commentary between numbers documented the history of the group from the early beginnings as The Four Lovers to Frankie Valli's solo career and that alone gave the proceedings an official air. Not just another pub tribute band.

Interesting too that they sang Four Seasons numbers that were actually hits for other groups in England such as The Sun Ain't Gonna Shine Anymore, covered by The Walker Brothers, Can't Take My Eyes Off You (Andy Williams) and Beggin (Timebox) and numbers from doo-wop groups and The Beach Boys were also featured.

The four attractive girls known as The Viva Showgirls filled and brightened the stage with well-choreographed dance routines integrated with the vocalists, though how the lads in the group concentrated on their singing as the girls entwined themselves around them baffled me.

The show was compered by Leye D Johns, a drag artiste in all but drag, which I found rather incongruous like putting The Sex Pistols on the same bill as Pavorotti. It turned the event into a variety show rather than a music concert as he picked on members the audience in the style of a pantomime dame and I felt sorry for those people sitting on the front row. **Star Rating 8 out of 10 for The Jerseys**

Whisky tasting to 'dram' up support for charity

WHISKY lovers are being invited to take part in a 'masterclass' tasting session to raise money for a West Lancashire-based children and young people's charity.

Tickets for the event, at Booths in Burscough on Friday (March 31), cost £10 and guests will be introduced to a selection of fantastic whiskies, and talked through flavour profiles and distillery details by a local expert.

The event will raise money for Rainbow House in Mawdesley which helps teach skills to empower people with disabilities to lead a more active and independent life.

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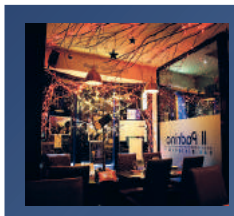

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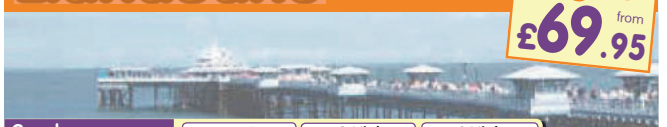

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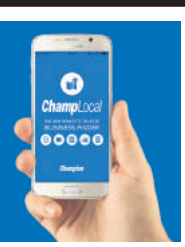

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SWIFT PHILIP

Colette and the family of the late Philip Swift would like to thank all relatives, friends and neighbours for all the sympathy cards, Mass cards and donations received during their recent sad loss. Special thanks to Palliative and District nurses, Care Concern and Silver Birch Lodge for all the nursing care and attention shown to Phil. Also special thanks to Father Boniface and Deacon Mac for their kind words of comfort and support, and to MLS Funeral Directors for their dignified funeral arrangements.

FARRELL SHEILA

The family of the late Shelia Farrell would like to express their heart felt thanks to all relatives, friends and neighbours for all their messages of condolence, sympathy cards and donations for 'The National Osteoporosis Society' received during their recent sad loss. Thanks also to Father Godric, Father Boniface and Deacon Des for their kind words of comfort and to MLS Independent Funeral Directors for the dignified Funeral arrangements.

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ASPINALL ERIC

After a short illness, in Southview Lodge, on 22nd March 2017, aged 86 years

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DEATHS

RIDDAWAY LEWIS IVAN

Peacefully in The Spinney Nursing Home Upholland 21st march 2017

Aged 91 years

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STABLES JOAN

20th March 2017 Peacefully in hospital Aged 84 years of Bickerstaffe

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McNALLY ANDREW JOSEPH R.I.P.

17th March 2017 Aged 76 years

Peacefully at Tudor Bank Nursing Home. He will be sadly missed by everyone who knew him. Requiem Mass to take place at Our Lady of Lourdes R.C. Church, Waterloo Road on Monday 3rd April at 1:00pm followed by interment at Ainsdale Catholic Cemetery. Flowers welcome. All enquiries to Howard's Funeral Directors, 1-5 Roe Lane, Southport, PR9 9DR. Telephone: 01704 500086.

DEATHS

HALSALL MARGARET ROSE (PEGGY)

Nee BONIFACE

19th March 2017

Peacefully after a long illness, aged 85 years, formerly of Ormskirk

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FREEMAN DOROTHY

22nd March 2017 Peacefully in hospital Aged 92 years of Burscough.

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KENWRIGHT ERNEST

Died peacefully at home on Sunday 19th March 2017, aged 96 years

Joan and the family thank everyone for their condolences. The funeral service will take place at St Helens Church, Sefton on Thursday 30th March at 10.40am followed by private cremation at Thornton Crematorium. Family flowers only please, donations if desired to Broadgreen Hospital or North West Ambulance Service c/o H Leslie Humphreys Funeral Directors, 69 Liverpool Road, Crosby L23 5SE. Tel 0151 9244805.

DEATHS

ASHCROFT MARION

Passed away peacefully on 20th March 2017

Aged 91 years

Mother of Mark and Gerald, Granny to Callum, Georgia, Adam and Nick, Great Grandmother to Brooke, Charlie and Madison. Family flowers only but donations in memory of Marion and her late Husband Gerald are being gratefully received for Cancer Research UK. Funeral Service will take place at West Lancashire Crematorium on Friday 7th April at 12.15pm. All enquiries to Hunters Funeral Directors 128B Burscough Street, Ormskirk. Tel: 01695 572997

SIMPKIN NELLIE

(The Wife of the late Jimmy Simpkin) sadly passed away peacefully at Wigan Infirmary on 20th March 2017 Aged 87 years

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TREASURE FRANK LOUIS

22nd March 2017 Aged 94 years

Passed away peacefully at his home at The Royal Hospital Chelsea, formerly of Beechwood Drive, Ormskirk. Cherished Husband of Edna (deceased) and a loving Father to Patricia, Celia and Charlie. Loving Grandfather of Lucille, Julian and Isabelle. Great Grandfather of Joseph. Funeral to be held at Christ Church, Aughton on Friday 31st March at 11am. Family flowers only but donations if desired to Royal Hospital Chelsea Appeal Ltd c/o MLS Independent Funeral Directors Ltd, 20 Moss Delph Lane, Aughton, Lancs L39 5DZ Tel: 01695 424888

CAMERON DONALD (BIG DON)

24th March 2017 Peacefully in hospital Aged 63 years

Loving Husband of Barbara, Devoted Dad of Donny & Charles. Will be sadly missed by all his family and friends. Funeral Service will take place at West Lancashire Crematorium, Pippin Street, Burscough on Friday 7th April at 4.00pm. Family flowers only please by request. Donations if desired for North West Air Ambulance. All enquiries to Margaret Whitelam, Skelmersdale Funeral Service, 29/31 Sandy Lane. Tel: 01695 559868

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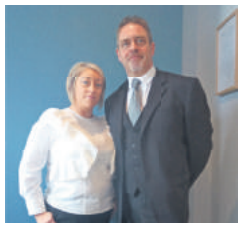

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LANCASHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL
(HIGGINS LANE, BURSCOUGH, WEST LANCASHIRE BOROUGH)
(TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF THROUGH TRAFFIC) ORDER 2017

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Lancashire County Council have made an Order under **Section 14(1) (a) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984**, as amended, the effect of which will be to temporarily prohibit traffic on the roads set out in this notice.

1. No person shall cause any motor vehicle to proceed over that length of Higgins Lane, New Lane and Marsh Moss Lane, Burscough from Liverpool Road South to Marsh Moss Lane.
2. The prohibition will be operative daily from 0600 hours until 1800 hours from Monday 03rd April 2017 until Friday 28th April 2017 or until completion of the works within this period.
3. An alternative route for vehicular traffic affected by the closure is via:- Tarlscough Lane, Redcat Lane, Liverpool Road North, Liverpool Road South and Vice Versa.

The temporary prohibition is necessary to allow Carriageway Surface Dressing works to be carried out.

Authority given for this Order to be made:
Michael White, Network Regulation Manager, Lancashire Highway Services, 0300 123 6701 [Ref: HRiT/7086/WH]

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LANCASHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL
(GREEN LANE, BISPHAM, WEST LANCASHIRE BOROUGH)
(TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF THROUGH TRAFFIC) ORDER 2017

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Lancashire County Council intend to make an Order under **Section 14(1) (a) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984**, as amended, the effect of which will be to temporarily prohibit traffic on the roads set out in this notice.

1. No person shall cause any motor vehicle to proceed over that length of Green Lane, Bispham from Hall Lane to Malt Kiln Lane.
2. The prohibition will be operative daily from 0600 hours to 1800 hours on Monday 10th April 2017 until Friday 5th May 2017 or until completion of the works within this period.
3. An alternative route for vehicular traffic affected by the closure is via:- Maltkiln Lane – Chorley Road – Robin Lane – Hall Lane.

The temporary prohibition is necessary to allow carriageway surface dressing works to be carried out.

Authority given for this Order to be made:
Michael White, Network Regulation Manager, Lancashire Highway Services, 0300 123 6701 [Ref: HRiT/7094/WH]

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LANCASHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL
(BANNISTER LANE, WRIGHTINGTON, WEST LANCASHIRE BOROUGH)
(TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF THROUGH TRAFFIC) ORDER 2017

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Lancashire County Council intend to make an Order under **Section 14(1) (a) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984**, as amended, the effect of which will be to temporarily prohibit traffic on the roads set out in this notice.

1. No person shall cause any motor vehicle to proceed over that length of Bannister Lane, Wrightington from Bentley Lane to Whittle Lane.
2. The prohibition will be operative daily from 0600 hours until 1700 hours on Monday 10th April 2017 to Friday 5th May 2017 or until completion of the works within this period.
3. An alternative route for vehicular traffic affected by the closure is via:- Whittle Lane – Highmoor Lane – Robin Hood Lane – Hall Lane – Sparrow Lane – Parbold Hill – Lancaster Lane – Chorley Road and vice versa.

The temporary prohibition is necessary to allow Surface dressing works to be carried out.

Authority given for this Order to be made: Michael White, Network Regulation Manager, Lancashire Highway Services, 0300 123 6701 [Ref: HRiT/7095/WH]

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PUBLIC NOTICES

LANCASHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL
(WHEAT LANE, LATHOM, WEST LANCASHIRE BOROUGH)
(TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF THROUGH TRAFFIC) ORDER 2017

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Lancashire County Council have made an Order under **Section 14(1) (a) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984**, as amended, the effect of which will be to temporarily prohibit traffic on the roads set out in this notice.

1. No person shall cause any motor vehicle to proceed over that length of Wheat Lane, Lathom from its junction with Carr Lane, to its junction with A5209 Briars Lane in the Borough of West Lancashire.
2. The prohibition will be operative from 0800 hours on Monday 27th March 2017 until 1800 hours on Wednesday 29th March 2017 or, until completion of the works within this period.
3. An alternative route for vehicular traffic affected by the closure is via:- A5209 Briars Lane – Ring o Bell's Lane – Carr Lane and vice versa

The temporary prohibition is necessary to allow new water connection works to be carried out. Authority given for this Order to be made:
Michael White, Network Regulation Manager, Lancashire Highway Services, 0300 123 6701 [Ref: HRiT/17/08/6949/arh]

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LANCASHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL
(BRICK KILN LANE, RUFFORD, WEST LANCASHIRE BOROUGH)
(TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF THROUGH TRAFFIC) ORDER 2017

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Lancashire County Council intend to make an Order under **Section 14(1) (a) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984**, as amended, the effect of which will be to temporarily prohibit traffic on the roads set out in this notice.

1. No person shall cause any motor vehicle to proceed over that length of Brick Kiln Lane, Rufford from Holmeswood Road to Tootle Lane.
2. The prohibition will be operative daily from 0600 hours until 1800 hours on Monday 10th April 2017 until Friday 5th May 2017 or until completion of the works within this period.
3. An alternative route for vehicular traffic affected by the closure is via:- Holmeswood Road – Cousins Lane and vice versa.

The temporary prohibition is necessary to allow carriageway patching works to be carried out.

Authority given for this Order to be made:
Michael White, Network Regulation Manager, Lancashire Highway Services, 0300 123 6701 [Ref: HRiT/7090/WH]

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LANCASHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL
(ROBIN HOOD LANE, WRIGHTINGTON, WEST LANCASHIRE BOROUGH) (TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF THROUGH TRAFFIC) ORDER 2017

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Lancashire County Council have made an Order under **Section 14(1) (a) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984**, as amended, the effect of which will be to temporarily prohibit traffic on the roads set out in this notice.

1. No person shall cause any motor vehicle to proceed over that length of Robin Hood Lane, Wrightington from Hall Lane to Hill House Folds Lane.
2. The prohibition will be operative daily from 0600 hours to 1800 hours on Monday 03rd April 2017 until Friday 28th April 2017 or until completion of the works within this period.
3. An alternative route for vehicular traffic affected by the closure is via:- Hall Lane, Moss Lane, Hill House Folds Lane and vice versa.

The temporary prohibition is necessary to allow Carriageway Surface Dressing works to be carried out.

Authority given for this Order to be made:
Michael White, Network Regulation Manager, Lancashire Highway Services, 0300 123 6701 [Ref: HRiT/7093/WH]

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LANCASHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL
(SCARTH HILL LANE, ORMSKIRK, WEST LANCASHIRE BOROUGH)
(TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF THROUGH TRAFFIC) (No.3) ORDER 2017

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Lancashire County Council have made an Order under Section 14(1) (a) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, as amended, the effect of which will be to temporarily prohibit traffic on the roads set out in this notice.

1. No person shall cause any motor vehicle to proceed over that length of Scarth Hill Lane, Ormskirk from its junction with Long Lane to its junction with Poppy Lane, in the Borough of West Lancashire.
2. The prohibition will be operative daily from 0600 hours until 1800 hours on Monday 27th March 2017 to Friday 21st April 2017 or, until completion of the works within this period.
3. An alternative route for vehicular traffic affected by the closure is via:- Long Lane – Ruff Lane – Croppers Lane – Poppy Lane and vice versa

The temporary prohibition is necessary to enable essential carriageway resurfacing to be carried out.

Authority given for this Order to be made:
Michael White, Network Regulation Manager, Lancashire Highway Services, 0300 123 6701 [Ref: HRiT/17/08/7162/arh]

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LANCASHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL
(MILL LANE, AUGHTON, WEST LANCASHIRE BOROUGH)
(TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF THROUGH TRAFFIC) ORDER 2017

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Lancashire County Council have made an Order under **Section 14(1) (a) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984**, as amended, the effect of which will be to temporarily prohibit traffic on the roads set out in this notice.

1. No person shall cause any motor vehicle or cycle, to proceed over that length of Mill Lane, Aughton from its junction with A59 Northway to its junction with B5195 Formby Lane, in the Borough of West Lancashire.
2. The prohibition will be operative from 0930 hours on Monday 27th March 2017 until 1630 hours on Friday 12th May 2017 or, until completion of the works within this period.
3. An alternative route for vehicular traffic affected by the closure is as follows:- B5195 Formby Lane – Turnpike Road – A59 Northway and vice versa

The temporary prohibition is necessary to enable gas main replacement works to be carried out.

Authority given for this Order to be made:
Michael White, Network Regulation Manager, Lancashire Highway Services, 0300 123 6701 [Ref: HRiT/17/08/6851/arh]

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LANCASHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL
(SMITHY LANE, SCARISBRICK, WEST LANCASHIRE BOROUGH)
(TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF THROUGH TRAFFIC) ORDER 2017

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Lancashire County Council have made an Order under **Section 14(1) (a) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984**, as amended, the effect of which will be to temporarily prohibit traffic on the roads set out in this notice.

1. No person shall cause any motor vehicle to proceed over that length of Smithy Lane, Scarisbrick from its junction with A570 Southport Road to its junction with B5242 Heaton's Bridge Road in the Borough of West Lancashire.
2. The prohibition will be operative daily from 0700 hours until 1700 hours on Friday 24th March 2017 to Friday 31st March 2017 or, until completion of the works within this period.
3. An alternative route for vehicular traffic affected by the closure is via:- A570 Southport Road – B5242 Bescar Brow Lane – B5242 Hall Road – B5242 Dam Wood Lane - B5242 Heaton's Bridge Road and vice versa

The temporary prohibition is necessary to allow carriageway resurfacing works to be carried out.

Authority given for this Order to be made:
Michael White, Network Regulation Manager, Lancashire Highway Services, 0300 123 6701 [Ref: HRiT/17/08/6689/arh]

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West Lancashire Borough Council
Planning (Listed Buildings & Conservation Areas) Act 1990 Town and Country Planning (Development Management Procedure) (England) Order 2015 - Article 15

APPLICATION(S) FOR PLANNING PERMISSION

Application No: 2017/0158/ARM Approval of Reserved Matters for the development of 110 houses and apartments, accessed from Liverpool Road South including details of appearance, landscaping, layout and scale at Land Bounded By Liverpool Road South, Abbey Lane, Burscough.

Application No: 2017/0188/FUL Demolition of a timber agricultural building and its replacement with a general purpose steel portal frame agricultural building to be used for livestock housing and general storage on land at Danes End at Danes End, Back Lane, Newburgh.

APPLICATION(S) AFFECTING A CONSERVATION AREA / LISTED BUILDING

Application No: 2017/0184/FUL The erection of a 2.5-storey detached dwelling with single storey elements to each side and the rear. The property to be a 6 bedroom dwelling situated to the north of the plot at Friars Wood, Lancaster Lane, Parbold.

Application No: 2017/0256/LBC Listed Building Consent - Removal of concrete and brick panels from timber framed Great Hall south wing and gable end. To be replaced with traditional materials to allow flexibility in the frame at National Trust, Rufford Old Hall, 200 Liverpool Road, Rufford.

Application No: 2017/0271/FUL Change of use from flat over shop into 6 bedroom student HMO including window replacement at First Floor, 9 Aughton Street, Ormskirk.

The applications are available for viewing on the Council's website www.westlancs.gov.uk/planning. Alternatively, the application can be viewed during normal office hours at 52 Derby Street, Ormskirk and at 1st Floor, The Concourse, Skelmersdale. If you wish to comment on the proposal you can do so via the Council's web site, by e.mail to plan.apps@westlancs.gov.uk or in writing to Development and Regeneration Services, 52 Derby Street, Ormskirk, but these must be received within 21 days of the date of this notice quoting the application no. Any comments made will be available for public inspection.

Applications for Minor Commercial and Householder Development

In the event that an appeal is made against a decision of the Council to refuse to grant planning permission for the proposed development, and that appeal then proceeds by way of the expedited procedure under the written representations procedure, any representations made to the Council about an application will be passed to the Secretary of State and there will be no opportunity to make further representations.

John R Harrison DipEnvP., MRTPI Dated: 29th March 2017
Director of Development and Regeneration PDNOT942

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NOTICE OF MODIFICATION ORDER
SECTION 53 OF THE WILDLIFE AND COUNTRYSIDE ACT 1981
THE DEFINITIVE MAP AND STATEMENT OF PUBLIC RIGHTS OF WAY FOR THE COUNTY OF LANCASHIRE
THE LANCASHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL
PUBLIC FOOTPATH AT ELMERS GREEN, SKELMERSDALE, WEST LANCASHIRE BOROUGH
DEFINITIVE MAP MODIFICATION ORDER 2016

The above Order, made on the 2nd November 2016, if confirmed as made, will modify the Definitive Map and Statement of Public Rights of Way for the area, by adding to them the footpath from its junction with Elmers Green at SD 4991 0652, located between 14 and 16 Elmers Green, running in an east north easterly direction for approximately 25 metres to a junction with the highway recorded as F2696 at SD 4993 0653.

A copy of the Order and the Order Map may be seen free of charge at the offices of the West Lancashire Borough and at my offices from 9am to 5pm on weekdays. Copies of the order and map may be bought there at the price of £1.00.

Any representation or objection relating to the order must be sent in writing to The Director of Governance, Finance and Public Services, Lancashire County Council, PO Box 78, County Hall, Preston, PR1 8XJ (REF: LSG4/PROW/5.54050/804.564) not later than 16th May 2017, and applicants are requested to state the grounds on which it is made.

If no representations or objections are duly made to the Order, or if any so made are withdrawn, Lancashire County Council, instead of submitting the Order to the Secretary of State for the Environment, may itself confirm the Order. If the Order is submitted to the Secretary of State for the Environment, any representations or objections which have been duly made and not withdrawn will be sent with it.

Dated this 29th day of March 2017.

IAN YOUNG, Director of Governance, Finance and Public Services, Christ Church Precinct, County Hall, PRESTON PR1 8XJ

This does not form part of the above Notice

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THE LANCASHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL
(WEST LANCASHIRE SPRING TRIATHLON EVENT, WESTHEAD, LATHOM, WEST LANCASHIRE BOROUGH)
(TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF THROUGH TRAFFIC) ORDER 2017

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Lancashire County Council ("The County Council") intend to make an Order under **Section 16A of the** Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, as amended, the effect of which will be to temporarily prohibit any motor vehicle or cycle (apart from those participating in the event) from proceeding over the following lengths of highway, in the Borough of West Lancashire, as set out below;.

i. School Lane, from its junction with Vicarage Lane to its junction with Whiteley's Lane,
ii. Ruff Lane, from its junction with Vicarage Lane to its junction with Scarth Hill Lane,
iii. Whiteley's Lane from its junction with Scarth Hill Lane to its junction with A577 Wigan Road (Lathom),
iv. Vicarage Lane in a North East and Easterly direction from its junction with Ruff Lane to its junction with School Lane,
v. Ruff Lane in a South Easterly direction from its junction with Beech Meadow to its junction with Vicarage Lane

An alternative route for vehicular traffic affected by the closures is as follows;
i. Ruff Lane - A570 Knowsley Road – A577 Wigan Road – A577 Cross Hall Brow – A577 Wigan Road and vice versa
ii. Ruff Lane - A570 Knowsley Road – A577 Wigan Road – A577 Cross Hall Brow – School Lane – Vicarage Lane
iii. A577 Wigan Road – A577 Cross Hall Brow – A577 Wigan Road A570 St Helens Road – Scarth Hill Lane and vice versa

Pedestrian access will be maintained at all times, vehicular access will be maintained whenever and wherever possible.

The Police, Fire and Ambulance Services have been informed.

The temporary prohibition is necessary to enable the safe holding of the West Lancashire Spring Triathlon event 2017.

The prohibitions will be operative from, 0700 hours until 1230 hours on Sunday 9th April 2017, or sooner if the event finishes earlier

Michael White, Network Regulation Manager, Lancashire Highway Services, 0300 123 6701 [Ref: HRiT/17/08/7226/arh]

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LANCASHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL
(TOOTLE LANE, RUFFORD, WEST LANCASHIRE BOROUGH)
(TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF THROUGH TRAFFIC) ORDER 2017

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Lancashire County Council intend to make an Order under **Section 14(1) (a) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984**, as amended, the effect of which will be to temporarily prohibit traffic on the roads set out in this notice.

1. No person shall cause any motor vehicle to proceed over that length of Tootle Lane, Rufford from its junction with Mere Lane, to its junction with Brick Kiln Lane in the Borough of West Lancashire.
2. The prohibition will be operative from 0800 hours on Monday 3rd April 2017 until 1700 hours on Friday 7th April 2017 or, until completion of the works within this period.
3. An alternative route for vehicular traffic affected by the closure is via:- Mere Lane – Sandy Way – B5246 Holmeswood Road – Cousins Lane and vice versa

The temporary prohibition is necessary to allow new electrical cabling works to be carried out.

Authority given for this Order to be made:

Michael White, Network Regulation Manager, Lancashire Highway Services, 0300 123 6701 [Ref: HRiT/17/08/6558/arh]

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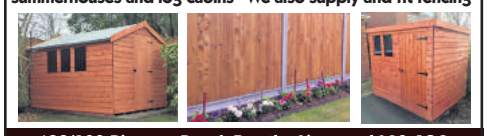

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IT'S NOT often Tinie Tempah and I agree on something. It's true that – like our rapper friend – I've been to Southampton but never to Scunthorpe (but I wonder if Tinie's ever been to Southport). But other than that we move in very different circles.

But Britain's best known Lamborghini Huracán owner does, as it transpires from watching the telly the other night, have one weird passion in common. I'm wondering if he can be appointed honourary president of Classified Adsaholic Anonymous.

I've always been an addict, hooked on the idea that a lightly used Audi S8 for four grand or a laggy-looking Porsche Boxster for about the same is only a phone call away. Sometimes I'd act on my impulses, picking out obscure-looking deals I'd found on the internet or through scouring the classifieds pages in The Champion.

For a while I thought I'd kicked the habit, content that a daily fix of a £1000 Mazda MX-5, a Toyota Avensis that cost £900 and various classic cars that always seem to cost more money than you'd imagine would be more than enough.

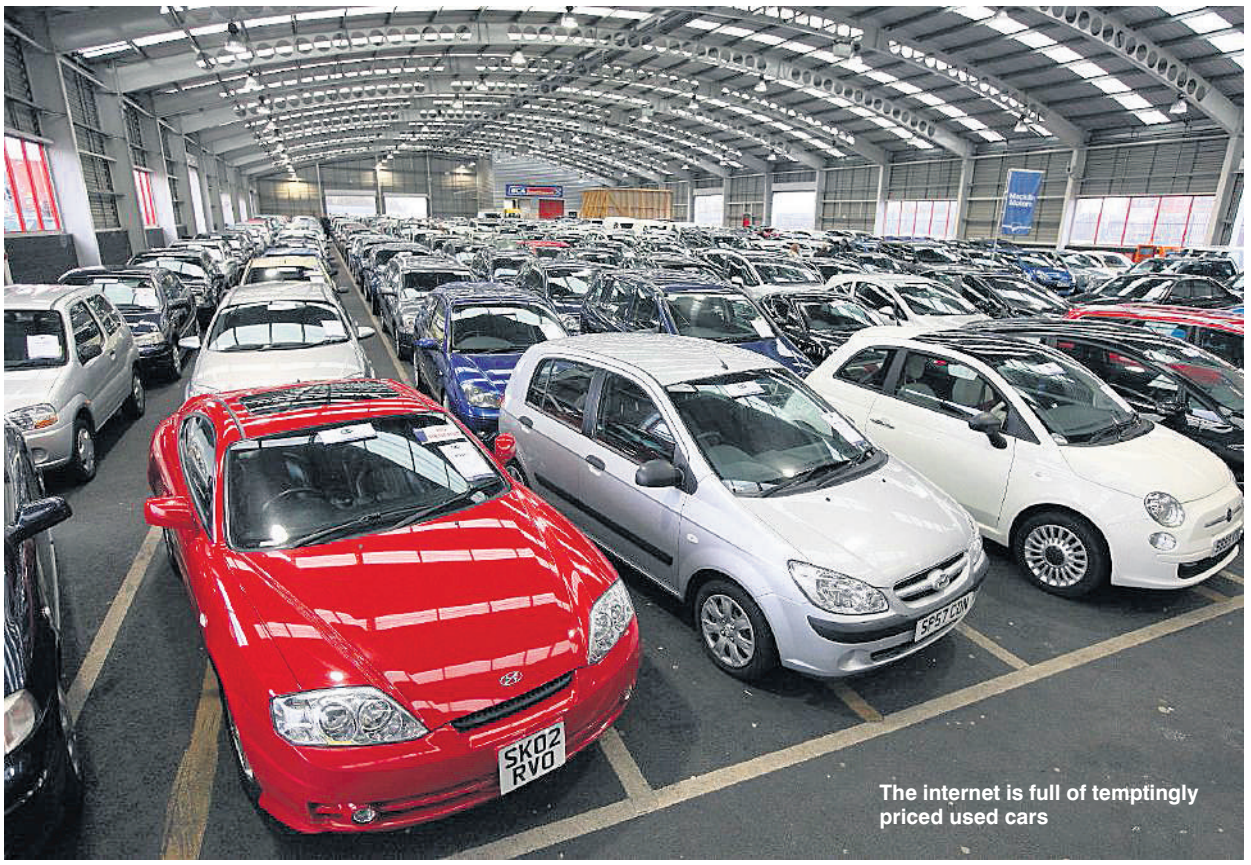
But then I downloaded Tinie Tempah's recommended legal high for used car junkies – the Auto Trader app – and I have to admit it's on the verge of ruining my life. The giddy, childlike thrill of flicking through coarse pages chock-full of reasonably priced used cars, so cruelly robbed from us when the weekly magazine went out of print four years ago, is back.

But whereas the joy of used car classifieds used to come from spotting the obscure bargain buried within 20 pages of blurry pictures, FSHs and ONOs, nowadays it's all about setting ridiculous search parameters and seeing what the internet comes back with. Want to know what the best four-door saloon for under £1500 is within a five-mile radius of Skelmersdale? Or Ormskirk's best five-grand sports car? Bet you do now.

It's weirdly addictive, but it does have its plus side; the more you do it the more likely you are to end up with a corking used car bargain. You end up getting to know the prices, what the faults are with various models and which dodgy brand of alloy wheels owners end up fitting to them, and ultimately knowledge is power. It's much harder to get ripped off by an unscrupulous seller when you're a Classified Adsaholic who knows exactly what a 2003 Volkswagen Golf 1.6 Match with five doors, service history and 99,000 on the clock is worth.

So give it a go – you won't regret it. If you end up buying something, blame Tinie Tempah.

David is the editor of Classic Car Weekly



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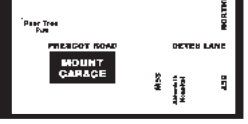

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Burscough need win to have hope of avoiding drop

SKELMERSDALE begin their post-relegation fixtures with a trip to Halesowen Town this Saturday in the hope of picking up a much-needed morale boosting win.

With no chance or surviving the drop, Skelmersdale have six games remaining this season to help put a smile back on the face of supporters.

But after it was revealed that the club's entire future is now in doubt, fans will be even more desperate to see their side find a positive result.

With only one win since November and 20 goals conceded in their last three games, it's difficult to see where Skelmersdale can pick up three points.

Meanwhile, Burscough's slim hopes of avoiding relegation will depend on their trip this Saturday to Colwyn Bay.

The mid-table side don't have much left to play for in the league, with little threat of relegation, so the Linnets could cause an upset.

They are on the road again on Tuesday, April 4 when they travel to Prescot Cables, who are fighting for survival themselves.

If Burscough can pick up a positive result on Saturday at Colwyn Bay, it will be all to play for then at Prescot three days later.

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Jamie Green scores Buxton's opener. Picture by John Driscoll

Six of the worst for Skem as they face relegation

Report by **Neil Leatherbarrow**

Skelmersdale United 0
Buxton 6

SKELMERSDALE were relegated from the Evo-Stik League Northern Premier Division after conceding six goals.

They followed up their 10-1 defeat on Tuesday, March 21 at home to Ashton United with another heavy defeat to end all hopes of surviving in the division.

After arguably being a bit unfortunate to go a goal down just before half-time, they had defender Michael Vaughan-Muscat sent off for a second yellow card three minutes into the second-half and literally collapsed defensively, conceding four goals in 14 minutes.

It had all started quite brightly for Skem. After Buxton's Niall Doran had fired over the crossbar early on, Vaughan-Muscat headed over the Buxton crossbar then Seb Bradshaw shot wide.

Both teams cancelled each other out for the next 25 minutes or so, but in the 41st minute that all changed.

Buxton left-back Jamie Green sent a free-kick over the wall then dipping inside the post to give the visitors a 1-0 interval lead.

Skelmersdale almost tied things up seconds after the break when Remy Howarth got in down the left side of the Buxton defence but his shot was weak.

In the 48th minute Vaughan-Muscat tripped Grayson, who was through on goal, and duly received his second yellow of the game to reduce Skelmersdale to 10 men.

Buxton took advantage, scoring twice in three minutes both from Green corners. First a diving header from Greg Young crashed the ball high inside the near-post, then after a failure to clear the lines, Grayson drilled the ball low into the opposite corner.

Skem didn't give up but the organisation of the previous 45 minutes was shattered.

On 62 minutes former Workington midfielder Joe McGee headed in a Green corner, then from a Green free-kick Liam Hardy headed home.

The shell-shocked Skelmersdale youngsters did recover a level of composure, but Buxton managed one more, Hardy volleying home from an Alastair Taylor cross.

Beleaguered Skelmersdale manager Alan Rogers said in his post match interview: "The first-half performance was decent, the lads showed commitment and worked hard and they had a couple of chances.

"They come out for the second-half and the sending off changes everything, after what's been going on heads dropped."

Next up for Skelmersdale is an away trip to Halesowen Town this Saturday.

Luckless Linnets lose again after spirited performance

Burscough 1
Kendal Town 3

ANOTHER spirited performance from Burscough but it was the same result as they lost to the same opposition for the second time in as many weeks.

After going in at the interval 2-0 down the Linnets fought back and soon pulled a goal back, however they quickly conceded again and despite pressing hard for the rest of the second-half couldn't get themselves back in to the game.

Kendal are a good attacking force and Burscough goalkeeper Richie Mottram was kept busy in the early stages of the match.

In the 18th minute Bowman went close again, shooting wide after pouncing on a loose ball in the Linnets goalmouth.

Kendal got their first goal after 33 minutes. Sam Bailey moved down the right and released Matt Dudley in the middle and he finished nicely from close range.

It took Kendal just two minutes to make it 2-0. Sam Bailey was completely unmarked when he thundered in a shot that due to its force got past Mottram.

Kendal then showed that they could defend as Burscough had a spell on the front foot before the interval but were kept out well by the Town defence.

Burscough have a tendency to score after the restart and this time it took them just three minutes to pull a goal back when Phil Bannister finished off a tidy move.

However, the Burscough goal seemed to motivate Kendal to attack again and on the 50-minute mark Dudley got his second and the team's third, capitalising on a mistake in the Linnets defence.

Burscough now had to go strongly onto the offensive and as a result they left gaps at the back that Kendal sought to exploit on the breakaway.

For Burscough, Adam Gilchrist went close and Bannister was particularly unlucky to have a goal-bound effort cleared off the line.

If that had gone in it might have been a different story.

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